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WACH 37 FROM LOS ANGELES

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8-57 PM

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MICKEY COHEN, [REDACTED] VICTIM, KIDNAPING, EXTORTION. CAPTAIN [REDACTED] INTELLIGENCE UNIT WHICH INVESTIGATES GANGSTERS AND RACKETEERS LAPD, ADVISED TODAY ON NOV. FOUR LAST, VICTIM [REDACTED] WAS BROUGHT BY CHARTERED PLANE FROM LAS VEGAS, NEVADA TO LA IN ORDER FOR SUBJ. COHEN TO OBTAIN FROM VICTIM PAYMENT FOR GAMBLING DEBTS. [REDACTED] IS KNOWN BY PD TO HAVE OPERATED A FOOTBALL GAMBLING BOCK IN BURBANK, CALIF., FOR COHEN. HE LEFT LA RECENTLY OWING COHEN MONEY. COHEN IS KNOWN BY PD TO HAVE BEEN ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE [REDACTED] THROUGH UNDERWORLD CONTACTS AND WHEN HE LOCATED HIM IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, HE ORDERED A HENCHMAN, [REDACTED] TO BRING VICTIM TO LOS ANGELES. THIS INFO OBTAINED BY PD FROM HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE. LA OFFICERS WHILE SURVEILLING COHEN OBSERVED HIM MEET WITH [REDACTED] FOLLOWING HIS ARRIVAL IN LA. [REDACTED] WAS EXTENDEDLY INTERVIEWED UP AND QUESTIONED BY PD AND FURNISHED DETAILS OF [REDACTED] CONTACTING HIM IN LAS VEGAS AND TELLING HIM HE HAD BETTER RETURN TO LOS ANGELES TO [REDACTED] COHEN. VICTIM WAS RELUCTANT TO RETURN, BUT DUE TO HIS KNOWLEDGE OF COHEN AND [REDACTED] INSISTENCE, HE ACCOMPANIED [REDACTED] ON A PLANE CHARTERED BY [REDACTED] HE MET WITH COHEN IN LA, PAID TWENTYFIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND STILL OWES HIM ADDITIONAL MONEY. [REDACTED] WAS RELUCTANT IN FURNISHING INFO TO PD FOR FEAR OF HIS

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LIFE FOR GIVING INFO IMPLICATING COHEN [REDACTED] PRESENTLY EMPLOYED [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] AT THE RANCH CLUB,
LAS VEGAS. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS RELUCTANT IN FURNISHING INFO
IMPLICATING COHEN, BUT CUSSED COHEN OUT TO OFFICERS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DESERT SKYWAYS, FUR-
NISHED PD INFO [REDACTED] FLEW [REDACTED] ON A WILDCAT FLIGHT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FLIGHT WAS ARRANGED
THROUGH A NON ROUTINE MANNER INVOLVING A RESERVATION CLERK FOR WESTERN
AIRLINES. FURTHER INFO RECEIVED FROM CAPTAIN [REDACTED], LAPD, THAT ON
OCT. THIRTYONE, FIFTY, SGT [REDACTED] HOLLYWOOD DIVISION, LAPD, WAS
CONTACTED [REDACTED] AND LATER
BY MICKEY COHEN HIMSELF, REQUESTING THAT [REDACTED] LOCATE VICTIM [REDACTED]
FOR HIM AS A PERSONAL FAVOR. ON NOV. FOUR, FIFTY [REDACTED] WAS AGAIN CON-
TACTED BY MICKEY COHEN WHO ADVISED [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED] WAS IN A HOTEL AT
END PAGE TWO

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LAS VEGAS, NEVADA. COHEN ASKED [REDACTED] TO CONTACT [REDACTED] AND b7c
BRING HIM BACK TO HOLLYWOOD IN ORDER THAT [REDACTED] COULD SQUARE ONE
THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED DOLLAR CHECK FOR COHEN. [REDACTED] REFUSED TO DO
THIS FOR COHEN. COHEN REQUESTED [REDACTED] TO FORGET ABOUT IT SINCE [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] HAD FOUND VICTIM. COHEN IS IDENTICAL TO NOTORIOUS AND WELL
KNOWN LA RACKETIER AND IS CONSIDERED TO BE THE KEY UNDERWORLD FIGURE IN
LA. CAPTAIN [REDACTED] PLEDGES HIS FULL COOPERATION IN THIS MATTER
SHOULD INVESTIGATION BE INSTITUTED BY THIS OFFICE. HE INDICATES WHILE
THE APPARENT KIDNAPING IN THIS INSTANCE APPEARS TECHNICAL IT IS THE
BEST EVIDENCE DEVELOPED BY HIS DEPARTMENT IN WAY OF A CRIMINAL VIOLATION.
HOWEVER, IT SHOULD BE NOTED CALIF. PENAL CODE COVERING KIDNAPING INCLUDES
VIOLATION FOR ANYONE WHO KIDNAPS OUT OF THIS STATE AND BRINGS SUCH
PERSON WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THIS STATE, AND THE PERSON IS AFTERWARDS
FOUND IN CALIF. ALSO WHILE NO SIGNIFICANCE IS KNOWN TO THIS OFFICE
[REDACTED] A COHEN HENCHMAN, IS PRESENTLY BEING RE-TRIED FOR
CCY. DURING PREVIOUS TRIAL COHEN THREATENED TO, AND SUBSEQUENTLY DID,
END PAGE THREE

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BLAST MEMBERS OF LAPD CAUSING GRAND JURY INVESTIGATION. IN VIEW OF
THE FACT ONLY HOODLUM ELEMENTS ARE INVOLVED, NO INVESTIGATION IS
BEING CONDUCTED, PENDING BUREAU'S INSTRUCTIONS.

HOOD

END AND ADVISE PLS

cc: Mr. Rosen
of the 2. A. should
advise & Mr. D. Atty
be quoted by his name

NOVEMBER 13, 1950

SAC, LOS ANGELES

URGENT

MURDER OF

JOHN T. WILKINSON

URGENT MESSAGE TO BUREAU, FACTS AS SET FORTH SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY
DISSEMINATED WITH URGENT AND LOS ANGELES FOR HIS OPINION AS TO HOW MATTER
UNDER FEDERAL KIDNAPING STATUTES AND THE GROUP BE CONTROLLED BY HIS
ACTION. ADVISE RESULTS OF CONTACT WITH U.S.A.

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HICKEY COHEN

[REDACTED]

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DASH VIX ID. REPUTEL

NOV. THIRTEEN LAST. FACTS PRESENTED TO USA ERNEST TOLIN WHO
STATED THEY APPARENTLY CONSTITUTE A BONA FIDE VIOLATION ALTHOUGH
WEAK. TOLIN REQUESTED THIS OFFICE DEVELOP FULL FACTS AFTER WHICH
HE WILL RENDER PROSECUTIVE OPINION. STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CASE NOW
BEING DISCREETLY PREPARED FOR PROSECUTION AGAINST COHEN. DETAILS FOLLOW
BY TELETYPE. INVESTIGATION BEING INSTIGATED AND BUREAU WILL BE
KEPT FULLY ADVISED.

*This investigation should
be expedited.*

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NOV 15 1945

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: November 17, 1950

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

Re New York teletype 11/16/50.

There is enclosed herewith a group photograph in which [REDACTED] appears on the extreme right. This photograph was furnished by [REDACTED] on 11/17/50. [REDACTED] states that photograph was taken at Los Angeles about one year ago and identified those appearing in the photograph, from right to left, as [REDACTED]

The other individuals appearing in the photograph are unknown to [REDACTED]

The [REDACTED] is described as follows by officers of the Los Angeles Police Department: [REDACTED]

According to information received from the office of origin, Los Angeles, on 11/16/50 [REDACTED] a Los Angeles gambler, sent \$200 at Las Vegas on 11/14/50 for travelling expenses to New York City. Newark requested to contact informants and sources of information in boxing and gambling circles for information as to present whereabouts of [REDACTED]

Investigation continuing at New York City.

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cc - Newark (Enc.) (SD)
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INTERVIEWED LA TODAY. PHILADELPHIA DISCONTINUE ATTEMPTS
TO LOCATE.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT: **LOS ANGELES**

DATE: **11/20/59**

REPORT MADE AT CLEVELAND, OHIO	DATE WHEN MADE 11/20/59	REPORT FOR BUREAU MADE 11/20/59	CLASSIFICATION [REDACTED] b7c
TITLE [REDACTED]		CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING	
SUBJECT [REDACTED] VICTIM			

[REDACTED] Cleveland fight promoter, advised that **[REDACTED]** can be reached in care of **[REDACTED]** Los Angeles. Interview with Cleveland fight managers and confidential informants negative.

-RUC-

DETAILS:

At Cleveland, Ohio

[REDACTED] was interviewed at Room 603, Hotel Hollenden, at which time he advised that he was well acquainted with **[REDACTED]** and stated that the last time that he had heard about him was when one of his contacts, whose name he does not remember, told him that he had heard from **[REDACTED]** on November 5th instant. **[REDACTED]** further stated that **[REDACTED]** can possibly be reached in care of **[REDACTED]**

[REDACTED] were interviewed and advised they were not acquainted with **[REDACTED]**.

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REFERENCE: Los Angeles teletype, 11/17/50 and Cleveland teletype
to Los Angeles and Director, 11/18/50.

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TELETYPE

FROM SAC NEW YORK TO DIRECTOR AND SAC NEW YORK AND LOS ANGELES. URGENT

MICKEY CONER, ETAL, [REDACTED] VIKID. OF NYC AND LA THIS SUBJECT IN
LAST. NO RECORD WESTERN UNION, LAS VEGAS, NEV. OF ANY MESSAGES SENT OR
RECEIVED BY [REDACTED] SEEN IN LAS VEGAS AS RECENTLY AS FOURTEEN
HOURS BY AN ASSOCIATE BUT THEREABOUTS SINCE THAT TIME UNKNOWN. RECHECK OF
ALL AIRLINES, UNION PACIFIC RR, LAS VEGAS NEGATIVE. INQUIRY AMONG POSS-
IBLE CONTACTS OF [REDACTED] IN LAS VEGAS ALSO NEGATIVE TO DATE. [REDACTED]
STILL CONTENDS CONER ADVISED HIM BY PHONE WHEN ASKING ASSISTANCE IN
RETURNING [REDACTED] LA THAT [REDACTED] WAS IN JAIL IN LA AND [REDACTED]
HAD LEFT SUICIDE NOTE. ALSO, THAT [REDACTED] WAS BELIEVED BY LA PD TO HAVE
BEEN MURDERED [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] WAS NEEDED IN LA TO CLEAR
[REDACTED] IN ACCORDANCE LATEST BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS, ALL EFFORTS BEING
POINTED TOWARD LOCATION OF [REDACTED]

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FROM 6 NYC 3 FROM LOS ANGELES 13 2-51 AM
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WICKET CONE, ET AL, [REDACTED], VIKID. RE NY TEL SEVENTEEN. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ADVISED HAS NOT [REDACTED] SINCE OCTOBER FOURTEEN OR FIFTEEN.
[REDACTED] STATES WROTE LETTER TO NY AND IT STATED IN LETTER [REDACTED] IN LA
[REDACTED] NOVEMBER FIFTEEN MEANT TO SAY OCTOBER FIFTEEN. ORIGINAL TELEGRAM SENT
[REDACTED] NOVEMBER FOURTEEN FROM LA LOCATED. HANDWRITING DOES NOT APPEAR
SIMILAR TO [REDACTED] SENDER NAME QUOTE [REDACTED] UNQUOTE AND
ADDRESS OF WICKET CONE. LAPD ADVISED THERE IS NO INDICATION [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] HAS BEEN AT CONE'S HOUSE SINCE LEAVING LA NOVEMBER TEN. IT APPEARS
[REDACTED] POSSIBLE CONE WAS ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN MONEY FROM [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] USING [REDACTED] NAME AND WITHOUT [REDACTED] KNOWLEDGE. NO
INFORMATION DEVELOPED THAT [REDACTED] HAS RETURNED TO LA.

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HUCKY CORN, ETAL, [REDACTED] WIRE THE NEW YORK TEL NOV.

SEVENTEEN. REF TEL ADVISES ON NOV. THIRTEEN [REDACTED]

RECEIVED WIRE FROM [REDACTED] AT LOS ANGELES REQUESTING ADDITIONAL THOUS-
AND DOLLARS. [REDACTED] EXPLAINED HE HAD BUSINESS DEAL IN LAS VEGAS AND
COULD REPAY THE AMOUNT. WE WERE UNABLE TO FIND SUCH MESSAGE.

[REDACTED] WAS BELIEVED TO BE IN LAS VEGAS NOV. THIRTEEN SO SALT LAKE
CITY WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE VU COPY OF WIRE FROM [REDACTED] TO [REDACTED]
SUCH DOCUMENT SHOULD BE TREATED AS EVIDENCE FOR POSSIBLE FUTURE
SUBPOENA.

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LOUPLS HOTEL SHOULD BE ADVISED

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DIRECTOR AND SACS, LOSA, PHILA, NY, SU FROM NEWARK 7-12 PM URGENT
HICKY COHEN, ET AL, [REDACTED] VIAD. RE NY TEL NOVEMBER SIX-
TEEN LAST TO BUREAU ET AL. [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] STATES HE WAS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PRIOR TO NINETEEN THIRTYNINE. NOT ASSOCIATED
WITH [REDACTED] SINCE THEN BUT STILL FRIENDLY. LAST SAW [REDACTED] ABOUT A
YEAR AGO IN NYC WHEN [REDACTED] WAS LEAVING FOR THE WEST COAST. [REDACTED]
CLAIMS HE THOUGHT [REDACTED] WAS [REDACTED] DURING THE PAST YEAR

[REDACTED] CONSEQUENTLY, HE THOUGHT THAT [REDACTED] WOULD CONTACT
HIM FOR A LOAN, BUT HE SAID HE WOULD STILL BE SURPRISED IF [REDACTED] CAME
TO NYC WITHOUT GETTING IN TOUCH WITH HIM. ABOUT THREE OR FOUR WEEKS
AGO [REDACTED] WHICH LETTER HAS SINCE BEEN DES-
TROYED, AND IN WHICH HE MADE NO MENTION OF BEING IN TROUBLE. HE TOLD
[REDACTED] HE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO DO ANYTHING [REDACTED]
DENIES HEARING ANYTHING ABOUT [REDACTED] DURING RECENT WEEKS OR KNOWING

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THAT [REDACTED] WAS MISSING.

ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] LIVED IN NYC PERMANENTLY. [REDACTED] KNEW NO OTHER RESIDENCES. HE SAID HE HAD HEARD THAT [REDACTED] WAS ONCE MARRIED AND SEPARATED OR DIVORCED, BUT NEVER KNOWING [REDACTED] OR HAVING EVER HEARD HER NAME. [REDACTED] SAID THAT [REDACTED] CLOSEST LIVING FRIEND WAS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] [REDACTED] WOULD BE THE ONE [REDACTED] WOULD MOST LIKELY CONTACT FOR A LOAN.

[REDACTED] IS DEAD, DECEASED, SEVERAL YEARS AGO [REDACTED]

WAS ASSOCIATED [REDACTED]

BUT THEY HAD A DISAGREEMENT AND [REDACTED] DOES NOT BELIEVE THEY HAVE BEEN FRIENDS RECENTLY. [REDACTED] STATES HE KNOWS NONE OF [REDACTED] RELATIVES

AND HAS NO INFORMATION ON HIS BACKGROUND OTHER THAN THE FOREGOING.

HE BELIEVED THAT SOMETIME PRIOR TO NINETEEN THIRTYNINE [REDACTED] HAD BEEN ARRESTED IN NYC BUT [REDACTED] DID NOT KNOW THE CHARGE OR DISPOSITION.

HE GAVE THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SAID HE WOULD TRY TO OBTAIN A PHOTO OF [REDACTED] AND OFFERED TO ADVISE THIS OFFICE IF HE HEARD ANY INFORMATION ABOUT [REDACTED]

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MICKEY COHEN, TRAL [REDACTED] VIKIP, RELATES NEW, TWENTY-
LAST, [REDACTED] INTERVIEWED BELVEDERE HOTEL, NYC, INSTANT DATE.
IN SIGNED STATEMENT ADVISED DEPARTED LA OCT. TWENTY SEVEN LAST.
STATED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATED TWO OR THREE DAYS AFTER ARRIVAL IN NYC
SHE RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL AT THE BELVEDERE HOTEL FROM MICKEY
COHEN WHO INQUIRED IF SHE KNEW WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] INAS-
MUCH AS [REDACTED] WAS MISSING AND HIS WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN IN LA. ACCORDING
TO [REDACTED] COHEN SOUNDED NERVOUS AND UPSET. [REDACTED] ADVISED COHEN LAST
SHE SAW OF [REDACTED]. INQUIRED
COHEN THAT [REDACTED]
COHEN REQUESTED [REDACTED] TO CONTACT FRIENDS AND ALSO ACCENT IN AT FOREST
HOTEL IF [REDACTED] IN NYC. REQUESTED [REDACTED] TO DO THIS AS A FAVOR TO HIM.
[REDACTED] ADVISED CONTACTED ABOVE FRIENDS AND FOREST HOTEL WITH NEGATIVE

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RESULTS. STATED TELEPHONE CONTACT WITH MICKEY COHEN SEVERAL DAYS AFTER FIRST RECEIPT OF CALL FROM HIM WHEN SHE ADVISED COHEN OF NEGATIVE RESULTS IN ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE [REDACTED] IN NYC. [REDACTED] ADVISED COHEN

MADE NO MENTION TO HER CONCERNING SUICIDAL TENDENCIES ON PART OF [REDACTED] STATED SHE ADVISED COHEN AT TIME OF SECOND TELEPHONE CONVERSATION OF POSSIBLE SUICIDAL ATTEMPT ON PART OF [REDACTED] STATING THAT SHE RECEIVED THIS INFORMATION FROM EITHER [REDACTED] OR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED IN TWO TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS WITH COHEN THAT COHEN GAVE NO DEFINITE REASON AS TO WHY HE WAS REQUESTING HER TO ATTEMPT TO LOCATE [REDACTED] IN NYC. SHE STATED SHE BELIEVED PURPOSE OF COHEN'S REQUEST WAS BASED ON FACT THAT [REDACTED] WAS MISSING AND COHEN WAS WORRIED CONCERNING HIS DISAPPEARANCE. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT PURPOSE OF HER TRIP TO NYC WAS IN ORDER TO SEEK EMPLOYMENT. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN ADDITION, SHE STATED SHE WAS FED UP WITH ALWAYS BEING INVOLVED WITH THE POLICE IN LA CONCERNING MICKEY COHEN'S ACTIVITIES. SHE ADVISED HER TRIP WAS VOLUNTARY AND EXPENSES WERE

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PAID BY HER. SHE STATED THAT NO ONE IN LA REQUESTED OR FORCED HER TO
COME TO NYC. SHE ADVISED THAT HER TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS WITH **b7c**
MICKY COHEN WERE THE ONLY CONVERSATIONS SHE HAD WITH ANYONE FROM LA
CONCERNING [REDACTED] INTERVIEW WITH [REDACTED] REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF
VIOLATION OF WSTA. [REDACTED] DENIED ANY PROSTITUTE ACTIVITIES IN NYC.
TELEPHONE ACTIVITIES BY [REDACTED] FROM BELVEDERE HOTEL PLUS EXAMINATION
OF [REDACTED] ADDRESS BOOK REVEALS CONSIDERABLE ACTIVITY IN CALLING
NUMEROUS HOTELS IN NYC. [REDACTED] STATED THAT [REDACTED] ARRIVED NYC
FROM LA APPROXIMATELY FOUR DAYS SUBSEQUENT TO HER ARRIVAL. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AT PRESENT STAYING FOREST HOTEL, NYC. EFFORTS TO INTERVIEW
NEGATIVE INAS MUCH AS [REDACTED] AT PRESENT NOT AVAILABLE THAT HOTEL, WILL
CONTINUE. [REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED] HAS NO KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING INSTANT
CASE. [REDACTED] FURTHER ADVISED [REDACTED] AT PRESENT IN ALBUQUERQUE,
NEW MEXICO AND INDICATED LA OFFICE HAS KNOWLEDGE OF HER PRESENT WHERE-
ABOUTS. [REDACTED] ADVISED ACQUAINTANCESHIP WITH [REDACTED] BUT DENIED
ANY KNOWLEDGE ON HER PART WITH [REDACTED] DESCRIBED

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[REDACTED] AS A "DIGGLE" AND A MAN WHO LIVES OFF WOMEN. ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] b7c
[REDACTED] WAS IN LOVE WITH [REDACTED] BUT [REDACTED] THROWN
AFFECTION INASMUCH AS HE APPEARED TO BE IN LOVE WITH [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] INDICATED THAT [REDACTED] AT PRESENT IN NYC BUT WHEREABOUTS UN-
KNOWN TO HER. [REDACTED] REINTERVIEWED INSTANT DATE AND ADVISED BEING
INTERVIEWED BY NYCPD DETECTIVES IN REFERENCE TO INSTANT CASE. [REDACTED]
STATED INTERVIEW OCCURRED PRIOR TO RECEIPT BY THIS OFFICE OF INFORMA-
TION CONCERNING INSTANT CASE. DETECTIVES INTERVIEWING [REDACTED] IDENTIFIED
AS BEING MEMBERS OF THE MAIN OFFICE SQUAD WHICH HANDLES ALL INVESTIGA-
TION FOR OUT OF TOWN POLICE DEPARTMENTS. INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED] BELIEVE
PREDICATED UPON INFORMATION RECEIVED NYCPD FROM THE LA POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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MICKEY COHEN, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DASH VIKID. REMYTEL NOV. FIFTEEN.
FIFTY. INFO JUST RECEIVED THAT [REDACTED] CALLED [REDACTED] NOVEMBER FOURTEEN
LAST FROM LAS VEGAS. TOLD [REDACTED] HE WAS FLYING TO NEW YORK WHERE HE
INTENDED TO STAY LONG ENOUGH TO STRAIGHTEN OUT HIS AFFAIRS AND GET SOME
DOUGH. [REDACTED] ASSUMES HIS STAY IN NY IS EXPECTED TO LAST AT LEAST ON
MONTH OR TWO. OTHER INFO INDICATES [REDACTED] LEFT LA NOVEMBER TEN LAST FOR
LAS VEGAS. SLO DETERMINE IF [REDACTED] STILL IN LAS VEGAS AND LOCATE FOR
INTERVIEW. IF NOT AVAILABLE ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE FLIGHT TAKEN TO NY.
THIS INFO ADDITIONAL FOR NY IN COVERING LEAD SET OUT REE TEL. IF
[REDACTED] LOCATED IMMEDIATELY ADVISE LA AS DETAILS FOLLOWING FURNISHING
INFO FOR INTERVIEW.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd
FROM : J. Edgar Hoover
SUBJECT: [REDACTED] et al.
[REDACTED] [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

DATE: November 17, 1950

SECRET

To advise that investigation at Las Vegas, Nevada, has failed to indicate that victim was forced to accompany subject [redacted] from Las Vegas to Los Angeles, and witnesses who observed victim leave his hotel with [redacted] state there was no violence. [redacted] has not yet been located for interview, and vigorous efforts are being made to locate him at New York City since he is reported to have left Las Vegas for that city during the past week.

BACKGROUND:

On November 10, 1950, Captain [redacted] of the Intelligence Unit of the Los Angeles Police Department, which investigates gangsters and racketeers, advised that the following information had been secured from a highly confidential source.

Wickert Cohen, notorious Los Angeles racketeer, ordered one of his former henchmen, [redacted] to bring back victim from Las Vegas, Nevada, to Los Angeles on November 4, 1930, by chartered plane, so that Cohen could collect a \$1000 from victim. Victim, [redacted]

has recently operated a rooming establishment in Los Angeles, California, for Cohen. About October 28, 1936, [redacted] abused Cohen's confidence in him by either prior to betting Cohen's take for that day and losing, or by actually stealing his take. [redacted] slipped out of Los Angeles immediately thereafter, taking the owe sheet with him. Apparently bettors on that day were not paid off by Cohen or his organization pending return of the owe sheet, and Cohen and his associates were making every effort to locate victim.

On November 4, 1950, [redacted] was located by Cohen through his underworld contacts at Las Vegas, and Cohen reportedly ordered [redacted], who is now working in a gambling house at Las Vegas, to bring victim back to Los Angeles. Victim returned with [redacted] to Los Angeles by chartered plane, and victim was later picked up by the Police Department and told the officers that [redacted] contacted him and told him that he had better return to Los Angeles to see Cohen. The Los Angeles Police Department advised that upon interview victim claimed that he was reluctant to return but, due to his knowledge of Cohen and [redacted] insistence, he accompanied [redacted] on the chartered plane.

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Memorandum for Mr. Ladd

Pursuant to Bureau instructions, the information furnished by the Los Angeles Police Department was submitted to U. S. Attorney General [redacted], who stated that it apparently constituted a bona fide violation. Although [redacted], the U. S. Attorney requested the Los Angeles Division to develop full facts; after which he would render a prosecutive opinion.

The Bureau instructed Los Angeles that all leads were to be expedited and that, since any possible case will largely depend on the testimony of victim, every effort should be immediately made to locate and interview him; further, that signed statements should be obtained from victim and from any witnesses who can furnish pertinent information.

CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS:

Investigation at Los Angeles has disclosed that following disappearance from Los Angeles about October 28, 1950, Cohen and his associates contacted numerous individuals for the purpose of locating [redacted]. The alleged purpose of locating [redacted] was to have him returned to Los Angeles to help a friend who was in trouble over a check given to him [redacted]. Following [redacted] return to Los Angeles on November 4, 1950, he reportedly paid \$2,500 to Cohen out of the \$4,000 which he owed him. [redacted] borrowed this money from friends in New York City with whom he has been associated in the fight game. b7c

Investigation at Las Vegas at the hotel where [redacted] was staying on November 4, 1950, disclosed that [redacted] had been contacted at the hotel on that date by [redacted] and [redacted]. Witnesses who observed victim in the company of [redacted] have advised in signed statements that there was no indication victim was being forced to accompany [redacted] and [redacted] and there was no indication of violence. b7c

[redacted] they engaged in no pertinent conversation during the trip. The plane was met at the Los Angeles airport by [redacted] and [redacted] gave money to [redacted] to pay for the trip. [redacted] returned with the pilot to Las Vegas.

[redacted] claims that [redacted] was picked up by the Los Angeles Police Department while riding with Cohen in Cohen's automobile and was interviewed for several hours by police officers. According to [redacted] later told him, "They think I was kidnaped but there is nothing to it." [redacted] returned to Las Vegas by train on November 11, 1950, and reportedly left for New York City several days later. b7c

Memorandum for Mr. Ladd

Investigation at New York City has disclosed that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were contacted by [REDACTED] in the early part of November and requested to forward [REDACTED] to Los Angeles. They complied with his request but claimed that they have not seen [REDACTED] recently. b7C

ACTION BEING TAKEN:

The New York, Salt Lake City, and Los Angeles Divisions have been instructed that since no evidence has been developed that victim was forcibly transported, the immediate objective of the investigation should be to locate and interview victim so that the facts can be rediscussed with the U. S. Attorney to determine if any violation is present.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.**

November 5, 1950

SAC, New York

Enclosed for your office are two copies of the evidence of the evidence received from your office on November 25, 1950.

RECEIVED: 40 41
[REDACTED] - VICTIM
[REDACTED]

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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LAB. NO. 7-5508 -13
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Investigation requested by: SAC, New York
Reference: Letter 11/27/50
Investigation requested: Document

SPECIMEN	CHECK #	AMOUNT	DATE	PAYABLE TO	SIGNED BY	REMARKS
Q1	11555	\$1,500.00	11/4/50	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Manufacturers Trust Co., New York, N.Y.
Q2	7300	\$1,000.00	11/15/50	"	"	"

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RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:

A definite comparison was not reached as to whether or not the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] in Q1 and Q2 were prepared by the same person due to the presence of variations which cannot be accounted for on the basis of the limited amount of handwriting. For the same reason, a definite conclusion was not reached as to whether or not the [REDACTED] endorsements on Q1 and Q2 were prepared by the same person.

On receipt of [REDACTED] in the [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] dated November 25, 1950, from Los Angeles in the above captioned case transmitting known handwriting specimens of [REDACTED] and MICKEY CROWN. The Los Angeles office is requested to advise the Laboratory as to the date of this letter, the caption under which it was submitted, and the method of transmittal, in order that additional efforts may be made to locate this witness if it was transmitted.

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Specimens Q1 and Q2 are returned to your office herewith, appropriate photographic copies having been retained for completion of the Laboratory's files.

[Signature]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
 AR : Atty. Gen. Laboratory
 SAC, New York

DATE: November 27, 1950

SUBJECT: MICHAEL COHEN; STALL
 [REDACTED] - VICTIM;
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Re Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, 11/25/50.

There are enclosed herewith two checks, described below, for signature and handwriting analysis. It is requested that the comparison be made to determine if the endorsements of [REDACTED] appearing on both checks were made by one and the same person and that a similar comparison be made as regards the endorsements of "MICHAEL COHEN" and "H. COHEN". It is further requested that the endorsements appearing on these checks be compared with known signature and handwriting specimens of [REDACTED] and MICHAEL COHEN submitted to the Bureau by the Los Angeles Division on 11/25/50. The enclosed evidence is described as follows:

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A check, #11255, dated 11/6/50, executed by [REDACTED] drawn on the Manufacturers Trust Company, New York City, in the amount of \$1,000 payable to [REDACTED]. This check bears on its face the stamped notation "No protest, 90-98h" and reflects endorsements by [REDACTED] and MICHAEL COHEN. The stamp appearing on the reverse indicates it was cashed November 5, 1950 at the Hollywood State Bank, Los Angeles, California.

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A personal check, #7363, of [REDACTED] dated 11/13/50 in the amount of \$1,000, drawn on the Manufacturers Trust Company, New York City, payable to [REDACTED] bearing the stamped impression on its face "No protest, 90-98h". This check bears the endorsements [REDACTED] and "H. COHEN" and the stamped impression appearing on the reverse thereof reflects that it was honored at the Hollywood State Bank.

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[REDACTED] has advised that he is familiar with the signature of [REDACTED] and had in his opinion the endorsement appearing on the check dated 11/13/50 is not [REDACTED] signature. [REDACTED] desires that the enclosed checks be returned to him following the analysis by the FBI Laboratory.

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

INVESTIGATION

TO: SAC LADD
 FROM: SAC ROSEN
 SUBJECT: MICKEY COHEN, ET AL
 VICTIM

DATE: 11/28/30

CALL 3:05 P.M.

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SAC J. M. Lopez called from New Orleans and advised that earlier this afternoon he had received a telephone call from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] who advised that there was a news item over the wire service today to the effect that the Bureau was interested in talking to [REDACTED] and if it was true that the Bureau desired to talk to him he knew where he could be located and would bring him to the office.

Lopez stated that at about 2:30 this afternoon, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] appeared at the New Orleans Office with [REDACTED] is now being interviewed by agents of the New Orleans Office.

Lopez has been in touch with SAC R. B. Hood in Los Angeles in order to obtain the necessary background to interview [REDACTED] and efforts will be made to obtain a signed statement from him.

SAC Hood has also contacted the U. S. Attorney in Los Angeles, who has requested the Marshal in New Orleans to issue a subpoena for [REDACTED] to appear in Los Angeles; however, Lopez is not serving the subpoena and in the event the Marshal does not serve it prior to the time the interview with [REDACTED] is completed, Lopez will advise [REDACTED] that the U. S. Attorney has issued a subpoena for [REDACTED]. This is being done at the request of the U. S. Attorney in Los Angeles.

Lopez said that, of course, the newspapers in New Orleans are aware that [REDACTED] is being interviewed by Bureau agents and he is answering their inquiries with a "no comment". Lopez was instructed that he should continue to answer any inquiries with that statement.

Lopez was instructed to send a wire in immediately setting forth his recommendations as to whether a letter of appreciation should be sent [REDACTED]. He was also instructed to advise the Bureau by wire of the results of the interview with [REDACTED].

You will recall that this is the case we are investigating wherein it is alleged that Mickey Cohen, through his henchmen, forced [REDACTED] to return to Los Angeles, California, from Las Vegas, Nevada, during the early morning hours of November 14th, in order to extort [REDACTED] into paying a debt he owed Cohen. The Bureau has been conducting an extensive investigation to locate [REDACTED] in many field offices. Hood is sending a dispatch to [REDACTED] immediately.

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 The matter of SAC Lopez answering press inquiries with a "no comment" has been discussed with [REDACTED] in Crime Records and he is in agreement with this action.

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RECEIVED AND CASE NEW YORK CITY AND LOS ANGELES

ATTEMPT TO LOCATE VICTIM

NOTHING KNOWN TO INDICATE PRESENT WHERE

ABOUT THE SIDNEY, LAS VEGAS, SAW IN PLANNED HOTEL THERE NIGHT

OF SEVENTEEN OR EIGHTEEN INSTANT BUT HAS NOT BEEN SEEN SINCE AND IS UNAWARE

OF PRESENT LOCATION. SIDNEY DENIED RECEIVING PHONE CALL FROM COHEN

RELATIVE TO [REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED]

ALSO SAID COHEN CALLED HIM FROM LA
SELF OF [REDACTED]

ABOUT ELEVEN P.M. EIGHTEEN INSTANT AND ASKED WHAT WAS GOING ON AND WHY

POLICE AND FEDS WERE INTERESTED IN INSTANT INVOLVING [REDACTED] RETURN

BY [REDACTED] STATED HE ASKED COHEN SAME QUESTION AND TOLD

COHEN THAT HE HAD CAUSED HIM ALL SORTS OF TROUBLE

[REDACTED] REQUESTED COHEN

BECAUSE HE DID NOT WANT ANOTHER PERSON

THREE REPORTS

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INFORMATION FROM LA INDICATE [REDACTED] ATTEMPTED TO SLASH THROAT AND WILL
HAVE BANDAIDED FRISKS. LA VICTIM. ATTEMPT TO LOCATE [REDACTED] CONTINUING.

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cc Mr Rosen

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WASHINGTON SA NEW YORK SA LOS ANGELES SA FROM SAN FRAN 11-23-50 12-34 PM

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HICKY COHEN, ET AL, [REDACTED], VIKIP. RE NEW YORK TEL NOVEMBER **b7c**

TWENTY SECOND. INVESTIGATION SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, REFLECTS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CAN PRESENTLY BE LOCATED IN CARE OF THE MAIN STREET GYM, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, TELEPHONE MADISON ZERO FOUR TWO FOUR.

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[REDACTED] MOBILE STATE THEY HAD A
FALLING OUT WITH [REDACTED] ABOUT TEN YEARS AGO AND HAD NOT TALKED TO HIM

[REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED] WAS

VERY CLOSE TO [REDACTED] THAT THEY WERE CONSTANTLY [REDACTED] AND IF

ANY ONE ONLY [REDACTED] [REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED]

CAN BE LOCATED THROUGH PHILIPPO AND HIS WIFE. [REDACTED] STATED THAT

IS [REDACTED] IN CHICAGO, HE THOUGHT ABOUT IT IN A MINUTE AS THE NEWS

THAT [REDACTED] WAS IN CHICAGO WOULD TRAVEL THROUGH SEVERAL CITIES.

[REDACTED] REGISTERED WITH [REDACTED] TO

BE IN LOS ANGELES AND [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

BY [REDACTED] INTO [REDACTED] BUSINESS [REDACTED] [REDACTED] WHEN REFERRED

OLD NEW YORK TELEPHONE [REDACTED] IS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO WAS INTERVIEWED REGARDING THIS CASE

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[REDACTED] WELL AC-
BATTED IN FIGHT CIRCLES. ALSO CONTACTED IN EFFORT TO LOCATE [REDACTED]
WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.
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On 10/10/71
cc: Mr. Rosen

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AND [REDACTED] UNTIL SHE LEFT
FOR NY THE FIRST PART OF OCTOBER. THE OTHER GIRLS MAY BE WITH HER
AND ALL MAY BE CONNECTED WITH [REDACTED] A LA AND HOLLYWOOD PIMP
NOW IN NY. IN SEPT. LAST [REDACTED] BEING INTERVIEWED AT HER APARTMENT
BY SAS WHEN MICKEY [REDACTED] FOLLOWED BY [REDACTED] AND ANOTHER HOODLUM,
BARGED INTO HER APARTMENT. [REDACTED]

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INVESTIGATIONS RE: ALK THAT COMED [REDACTED] THE ALLEGATIONS THAT [REDACTED] WAS SUICIDAL TENDENCIES AND [REDACTED] NO DOING WAS TO AROUSE [REDACTED] IN THE PEOPLE HE WAS TRYING TO HAVE LOCATE [REDACTED] FOR HIM. AFTER OBTAINING INFO RE THIS CASE, CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO INTERVIEWING [REDACTED] RE POSSIBLE WETA VIOLATION AS TO WHETHER COHEN OR SOME OTHER INDIVIDUAL PAID TRANSPORTATION TO NY AND RE PURPOSE OF TRAVEL THERE. INFORMATION HERE IS THAT [REDACTED] IS NOT [REDACTED] ALTHOUGH SHE WAS POSSIBLY ONCE [REDACTED] A CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT OF THE LAPD HAS REVEALED THAT VARIOUS FEMALE QUOTE [REDACTED] UNQUOTE TRAVEL BETWEEN THE EAST AND COHEN-S HOME IN LA. WU, LA UNABLE TO FIND RECORDS OF [REDACTED] TELEGRAM NOV. THIRTEENTH TO [REDACTED] THIS TELEGRAM UNDOUBTEDLY SENT FROM LAS VEGAS OR ELSEWHERE. NY ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN COPY AT WESTERN UNION, NY.

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WASHINGTON AND LOS ANGELES FIELD OFFICES

DIRECTOR AND SAC

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STACY COHEN, FIA. [REDACTED] FIELD. IS BY TEL NOV EIGHTEEN.

[REDACTED] HAS NOT BEEN [REDACTED] IN OVER A YEAR. NO IDEA PRESENT WHEREABOUTS ALTHOUGH HE TRAVEL COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO [REDACTED] WAS IN CALIFORNIA. RUC.

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FOURTYNINE. IN THIS CONSIDERATION, A BOUNTY GIVEN TO SUBORDINATE

IS PERTAINING VIOLATION, [REDACTED] WHERE [REDACTED]

ED ON NOV. 4 HE ON TEN. [REDACTED] NOTED [REDACTED] ADDRESS, STATING HE WILL

OF ANY INFO HE LEARNS RE [REDACTED] MAIL COVER BEING PLACED. [REDACTED]

AS BOOKER FOR PAST SIX MONTHS, SAT [REDACTED] NOV. SIX AT EIGHTS AND

WRIST. [REDACTED] SAID IT WAS JUST A SCRATCH AND DID NOT TALK ABOUT IT

USING PART OF IT THAT NIGHT TO PAY A GAMBLING DEBT. [REDACTED] STATED WILL

INITIALLY FROM INFO RE CONTACTS OF [REDACTED] CG AND NY PREVIOUSLY KNOWN.

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HICKEY COHEN, [REDACTED]

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DASH VIKID. FOLLOWING

TELETYPE RECEIVED FROM LA BY THIS OFFICE AND BUREAU, NOV. SIXTEENTH

INSTANT.. REWITEL TO BUREAU TODAY. LAFD INTELLIGENCE UNIT WHICH

INVESTIGATES GANGSTERS AND RACKETEERS HAS ADVISED THAT ON NOV.

FOUR LAST VICTIM [REDACTED] WAS TRANSPORTED BY CHARTERED PLANE FROM

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA TO LA AGAINST HIS WILL AND AT DIRECTION OF HICKEY

COHEN, NOTORIOUS LA HOODLUM. NO VIOLENCE KNOWN TO HAVE OCCURRED BUT

VICTIM INFLUENCED TO COME BY INTIMIDATION. ON BUREAU INSTRUCTION

FACTS PRESENTED TO USA LA ERNEST TOLIN WHO STATED THEY APPARENTLY

CONSTITUTE A BONA FIDE VIOLATION ALTHOUGH WEAK. TOLIN REQUESTED

THIS OFFICE DEVELOP FULL FACTS AFTER WHICH HE WILL RENDER PROSECUTIVE

OPINION. STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CASE NOW BEING DISCREETLY PREPARED

FOR PROSECUTION AGAINST COHEN. LAFD FEELS FBI IS BETTER EQUIPPED

THROUGH ITS FIELD OFFICE AND BROAD JURISDICTION TO HANDLE WITNESSES HERE.

IN LAS VEGAS AND IN NEW YORK AND TO DEVELOP CASE. THEY WERE FULL

COOPERATION. BACKGROUND AS POLICE HAVE DEVELOPED IT IS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] OPERATED A GAMBLING BOOK FOR COHEN IN [REDACTED] SUBURB OF
LA, AND WAS COHEN-S [REDACTED] UNTIL OCT. TWENTY
EIGHT LAST WHEN [REDACTED] SOMEHOW ABUSED COHEN-S CONFIDENCE IN HIM
EITHER BY PRIVATELY BETTING COHEN-S TAKE THAT DAY AND LOSING OR BY
ACTUALLY STEALING THE TAKE. [REDACTED] CLIPPED OUT OF LA ON OR ABOUT
THE TWENTY EIGHTH TAKING THE ONE SHEET WITH HIM. APPARENTLY BETTERS OF
THAT DAY WERE NOT PAID OFF BY COHEN OR HIS ORGANIZATION PENDING
RETURN OF THE ONE SHEET. COHEN FIRST ATTEMPTED TO LOCATE [REDACTED]
THROUGH UNDERWORLD CONTACTS AND THROUGH AN OFFICER OF THE LAPD.
HE FINALLY FOUND HIM THROUGH [REDACTED] LA AND LAS VEGAS GAMBLING
FIGURE. [REDACTED] HAD REGISTERED AT A FIFTH RATE HOTEL, THE CHARLESTON,
AT LAS VEGAS ON NOV. ONE LAST. COHEN CONTACTED [REDACTED]

AND ORDERED [REDACTED] TO BRING [REDACTED] TO LA. [REDACTED] DEMURRED BUT
FINALLY AGREED. [REDACTED] CHARTERED STINSON PLANE AND [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] OF DESERT SKYWAYS THROUGH [REDACTED] WESTERN AIRLINES BAGGAGE
MASTER AT LAS VEGAS. [REDACTED] ARRANGES CHARTER FLIGHTS CONTRARY TO
COMPANY REGULATIONS. [REDACTED] ACCOMPANIED BY [REDACTED], BELIEVED
TO BE A MINOR HOODLUM FORMERLY OF CLEVELAND, WENT TO THE CHARLESTON
HOTEL AT OR BEFORE FOUR AM AND AWAKE [REDACTED] AT THE HOTEL THE NIGHT
CLOCK [REDACTED] WAS ON DUTY. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS IN LOBBY. [REDACTED] OBSERVED THE ACTIVITIES
AND WATCHED [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] WHOM SHE DID NOT KNOW, ESCORT [REDACTED]
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OUT OF THE HOTEL. SHE OBSERVED [REDACTED] PANTS WERE UNBUTTONED IN
FRONT AND HE APPEARED HURRIEDLY DRESSED AND EXCITED. THE OTHERS
APPEARED EXCITED TOO. [REDACTED] CALLED BACK INTO LOBBY BY [REDACTED] TO ACCEPT
PHONE CALL AND BOTH HE AND [REDACTED] TALKED BY PHONE TO COHEN. WHILE
IN LAS VEGAS, [REDACTED] ASKED [REDACTED] IF HE WAS TO BE HURT AND [REDACTED] GAVE
A NEGATIVE ANSWER. [REDACTED] WAS THEN ESCORTED TO LAS VEGAS AIRPORT
[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] IN [REDACTED] CAR. THEY MET [REDACTED] AND ALL
FOUR WAITED FOR [REDACTED] AIRPLANE WHICH WAS SUPPOSED TO BE THERE
AT FOUR AM BUT WAS DELAYED BY MECHANICAL TROUBLE. THE STINSON
ARRIVED AT SIX AM. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CONVERSATION EN ROUTE TO LA NOT KNOWN.
PLANE MET AT LA AIRPORT BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RETURNED WITH PILOT
TO LAS VEGAS. [REDACTED] TOOK [REDACTED] TO [REDACTED] HOTEL
HOLLYWOOD, LA. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] COHEN WAS AT [REDACTED] HOTEL OFFICE. THAT DAY
[REDACTED] WITHDREW FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS FROM HIS BANK IN HOLLYWOOD
PAYING THIS TO COHEN. NEXT DAY HE RECEIVED A THOUSAND DOLLAR CHECK
FROM [REDACTED] THIS HE GAVE
COHEN. FOLLOWING DAY HE RECEIVED A THOUSAND DOLLAR CHECK FROM
[REDACTED] AND THIS MONEY

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TURNED OVER TO COHEN. [REDACTED] IS STILL SUPPOSED TO FURNISH MORE MONEY TO COHEN, BUT EXACT AMOUNT UNKNOWN. [REDACTED] HE TOOK ABOUT FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS OF COHEN'S MONEY. [REDACTED] PRESENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN. LAPD INTERVIEWED [REDACTED] AND HE CLAIMED HE DID NOT OWE COHEN ANY MONEY BUT HAD GIVEN COHEN TWENTY FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS BECAUSE COHEN NEEDED IT AND IS AN OLD FRIEND. STATED HE AND COHEN TALKED ABOUT MONEY AT [REDACTED] OFFICE. THE POLICE'S FOUR HOUR INTERVIEW WITH VICTIM PRODUCE MAINLY LIES. OFFICERS FLEW TO LAS VEGAS WHERE INTERVIEWED [REDACTED] WHO ADMITTED TAKING [REDACTED] TO LA BUT CLAIMED COHEN HAD SAID [REDACTED] WAS IN TROUBLE FOR GAMBLING AND WAS TO BE ARRAIGNED FOLLOWING DAY. COHEN, ACCORDING TO [REDACTED], SAID HE NEEDED [REDACTED] TO FRONT FOR [REDACTED] WHO HAD BEEN A RUNNER UNDER [REDACTED] AND ALSO NEEDED [REDACTED] TO SQUARE A SEVENTEEN HUNDRED DOLLAR CHECK FOR HIM. OFFICERS POINTED OUT THAT COHEN'S STORY WAS OBVIOUSLY FALSE SINCE COURT ARRAIGNMENTS ARE NEVER MADE ON SATURDAY. [REDACTED] BLASPHEMED COHEN FOR INVOLVING HIM AND SAID HE WAS TRYING TO BREAK AWAY FROM COHEN AND UNDERWORLD CONNECTIONS. POLICE BELIEVE [REDACTED] WILL BE PROSECUTION WITNESS. AT LAS VEGAS THEY ALSO INTERVIEWED [REDACTED], [REDACTED] DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] WELL ENOUGH SO THAT THEY COULD BE IDENTIFIED THROUGH SHERIFF'S RECORDS. SHE THEN IDENTIFIED THEIR PICTURES. [REDACTED] CLAIMED TO HAVE SEEN NOTHING. [REDACTED] PLACED [REDACTED], [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] AT THE AIRPORT BUT RELATED

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NO CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN THEM. [REDACTED] CLAIMED TO HAVE HEARD
NO CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN VICTIM AND SUBJECTS. IN LA, [REDACTED]
DENIED COHEN'S PRESENCE AT HIS OFFICE. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED BY
OFFICERS AS [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

LEADS FOR NEW YORK.... INTERVIEW [REDACTED]
IN GREAT DETAIL REGARDING [REDACTED] REQUEST FOR MONEY AND OBTAIN [REDACTED]
SIGNED STATEMENT. IF COMMUNICATION WAS BY TELEGRAM OR IN WRITING
OBTAIN DOCUMENT FOR EVIDENCE. OBTAIN THOUSAND DOLLAR CHECK AS
EVIDENCE AND DUTEL IN ENDORSEMENTS AND BANK STAMPS ON CHECK FOR TRACING.
OBTAIN RECORD OF OTHER TRANSACTIONS [REDACTED] HAD WITH [REDACTED]
INTERVIEW [REDACTED] SAME AS REQUESTED OF [REDACTED] THOROUGHLY
INTERVIEW BOTH INDIVIDUALS AS TO ASSOCIATES, RELATIVES AND CONTACTS
OF [REDACTED] TO ASCERTAIN PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. INTERVIEW
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ASSOCIATES OF [REDACTED] AS WELL AS ANY OTHER ASSOCIATES DEVELOP
FOR INFO AS TO HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. INTERVIEW [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AND ARRANGE TO
DETAIL THE [REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS. OBTAIN PHOTOS OF [REDACTED] FROM [REDACTED]
HYPD OF [REDACTED] AND FORWARD AMSD TO LA AND SLC. LEADS FOR
SALT LAKE CITY... INTERVIEW AND OBTAIN SIGNED STATEMENT IN GREAT
DETAIL [REDACTED] DESERT SKYWAYS OF [REDACTED]

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ALSO FROM [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]
ASCERTAIN [REDACTED] [REDACTED] CONTACT WITH [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ANYONE WHO MAY HAVE BEEN WITH [REDACTED]
ON ANY ADDITIONAL WITNESSES TO ANY STATEMENTS MADE BY [REDACTED] TO [REDACTED]
ASCERTAIN ACTIVITIES OF [REDACTED] IN LAS VEGAS PRIOR TO NOV. FOURTH AND
ANY CONTACTS MADE WHO MAY HAVE INFO AS TO WHY HE FLED LA AND HIS
STATUS WITH COHEN PRIOR TO BEING TRANSPORTED BACK TO LA. LAPD
OFFICERS WERE ASSISTED IN LAS VEGAS BY CAPT. [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] OF LVSO WHOM THEY CONSIDER RELIABLE. OBTAIN PD NUMBERS AND
DESCRIPTION OF [REDACTED] FROM LVSO FILES TO HAVE BUREAU IDENTIFY AND
FURNISH COMPLETE CRIMINAL RECORD. FORWARD PHOTOS TO LA OF [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] IF AVAILABLE. DEFER INTERVIEWS WITH [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] PENDING ADVICE BY LA. FURTHER DETAILED INFORMATION
WILL BE FURNISHED REGARDING INTERVIEWS MADE BY PD TO FACILITATE
THESE INTERVIEWS. BUREAU ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY CRIMINAL RECORD OF
[REDACTED] AND PLACE A WANTED NOTICE IN IDENT. FILES. ADDITIONAL
IDENT INFORMATION ON SUBJECTS WILL FOLLOW FOR CRIMINAL RECORD
CHECK. LA OBTAINING FURTHER DETAILS OF LAPD INVESTIGATION AND ATTEMPTING
TO LOCATE [REDACTED] BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED DAILY OF DEVELOPMENTS. THIS
TEL COREX THE NOTATION THAT SALT LAKE CITY HAD BEEN ADVISED SEPARATELY.
[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED AND ADMITS LOANING ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO
[REDACTED] ON OR ABOUT NOV. SIXTH, FIFTY, ON WHICH DATE HE HAD RECEIVED
TELEPHONE CALL FROM [REDACTED] WHO ASKED FOR LOAN OF TWENTY FIVE HUNDRED
DOLLARS. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] IS CONTACT [REDACTED]

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AT A TIME WHEN [REDACTED] FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING
THE ONE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] THEN PHONED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] [REDACTED] THE ONE [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] FOR THE ONE [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] [REDACTED] MAY PRESENTLY BE IN
[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] IN PHILADELPHIA IN THE [REDACTED] PHILADELPHIA AND LA ATTEMPT
TO LOCATE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] REFUSES TO GIVE SIGNED STATEMENT
IS PROBABLY WITHHOLDING INFORMATION AS [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT IN
RECENT PAST [REDACTED] TOLD HIM HE HAD RECEIVED A LETTER FROM [REDACTED]
REQUESTING ADDITIONAL MONEY. [REDACTED] WILL FURNISH SIGNED STATEMENT
THIS PM. INFORMATION ALSO RECEIVED THAT WITHIN THE RECENT PAST
[REDACTED] WAS [REDACTED] ONE [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] [REDACTED] HAVE BOTH STATED THAT [REDACTED] OF [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] IS CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF [REDACTED]
AND LOGICAL CONTACT OF [REDACTED] FOR MONEY. [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] WERE
[REDACTED]
HOME PHONE OF [REDACTED] IS [REDACTED] AND PHONE
AT [REDACTED] GYMNASIUM IS CLIFFSIDE SIX ZERO FIVE ZERO THIRTY. NEWARK WILL
INTERVIEW [REDACTED] INVESTIGATION CONTINUING NYC.

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RICKY COHEN, ETAL, [REDACTED] VICTIM. KENNETH NOV. SIXTEEN,

WHEREABOUTS OF VICTIM UNKNOWN TO DATE. [REDACTED]

NYC, AND CLOSE FRIEND [REDACTED] PAST [REDACTED] YEARS, ADVISED TODAY IN
SIGNED STATEMENT FOLLOWING PERTINENT DETAILS COLON ON MORNING OF NOV.

TWO OR THREE PAST AT HOME AN [REDACTED] RECEIVED PHONE CALL FROM

[REDACTED] INQUIRING AS TO WHEREABOUTS OF

[REDACTED] STATING THAT HE, [REDACTED] HAD RECEIVED A PHONE CALL FROM A

GIRL [REDACTED] WHO SAID SHE HAD REASON TO BELIEVE SOMETHING

HAD HAPPENED TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND THE NEXT DAY SHE RECEIVED A

PHONE CALL IN NYC FROM CALIFORNIA INQUIRING AS TO [REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS,

THE PARTY CALLING SAYING THAT SOMETHING HAD HAPPENED TO [REDACTED]

SHE WAS APPARENTLY THE LAST TO SEE HIM IN THAT HE [REDACTED] NOT RETURNED

TO [REDACTED] AND WAS NOWHERE TO BE FOUND. [REDACTED] OLD

THAT SHE WAS ASKED BY PARTY CALLING TO CONTACT ALSO [REDACTED]

AND [REDACTED] IN NEW YORK TO LOCATE [REDACTED] STATED

THAT ABOUT TWENTY HOURS LATER [REDACTED] CALLED HIM AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AS A FRIEND OF [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] LOCK [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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SHE REMEMBERED THAT [REDACTED] OF COMMITTING SUICIDE AND THAT
[REDACTED] HERSELF AND OTHERS WERE WORRIED ABOUT HIM. [REDACTED] ADVISED
[REDACTED] SHE WAS STOPPING AT BELVIDERE HOTEL, NYC, AND TO CONTACT
HER IF HE HEARD FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS HEARD NO MORE FROM THIS GIRL AND DOES NOT KNOW HER.
[REDACTED] POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH [REDACTED] MENTIONED IN REPORT OF
SA [REDACTED] ENTITLED "MISDE", [REDACTED], VICTIM.,
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE, DATED OCT. TWENTY LAST, PAGES EIGHTY EIGHT
AND ONE TWENTY EIGHT. [REDACTED] CONTINUED STATING ON THAT SAME AFTERNOON
NOW. TWO OR THREE, [REDACTED] CALLED
HIM FROM LA AND INQUIRED AS TO [REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS. [REDACTED] ADVISED
[REDACTED] HE HAD NOT HEARD FROM [REDACTED] AND ASKED IF LATTER WAS IN GAMBLING
TROUBLE. [REDACTED] SAID QUOTE YES IN A WAY BUT NOTHING THAT COULD NOT
BE SETTLED EASILY UNQUOTE. [REDACTED] STATED THAT HE SAW [REDACTED] THE DAY
BEFORE BUT THAT LATTER HAD LEFT HIS ROOMING HOUSE LEAVING CLOTHES
AND EVERYTHING THERE INTACT. [REDACTED] THEN SAID THAT [REDACTED] OFTEN
SAID HE WOULD COMMIT SUICIDE AND BEING A CRAZY KID MIGHT DO THAT.

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REQUESTED [REDACTED] CALL HIM COLLECT IF HE LEARNED [REDACTED] b7c
WHEREABOUTS SO AS TO RELIEVE HIS ANXIETY. [REDACTED] PROMISED
BUT DID NOT CALL [REDACTED] AS HE KNEW NOTHING AT THAT TIME. TWO DAYS
LATER, NOV. THREE OR FOUR LAST, [REDACTED]
CALLED [REDACTED] FROM THE PARK SHERATON HOTEL, NYC, AND INQUIRED
AS TO [REDACTED] WHILE ABOUTS SAYING SHE HAD HEARD HE WAS MISSING.
[REDACTED] TOLD HER NO AND SHE COMMENTED QUOTE THE SILLY
KID, I HOPE NOTHING IS WRONG UNQUOTE. [REDACTED] STATED THAT ON
NOV. SIX LAST HE RECEIVED A LETTER AT THE OFFICE FROM [REDACTED] DATED LINE

CALL, IN WHICH HE STATED THAT HE WAS IN QUOTE A LITTLE
JAM UNQUOTE AND SAID HE WAS WRITING HIM, [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]
ASKING FOR HELP. HE SAID HE WAS ASKING [REDACTED] FOR ONE THOUSAND
DOLLARS, [REDACTED] FOR TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS AND [REDACTED] FOR THREE
THOUSAND DOLLARS. HE REQUESTED THE MONEY SENT TO HIS [REDACTED] ADDRESS.
[REDACTED] STATED HE SENT A CHECK TO [REDACTED] IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE
THOUSAND DOLLARS DRAWN ON [REDACTED] ACCOUNT, MANUFACTURERS TRUST
CO., NYC, CHECK NUMBER ONE ONE TWO FIVE FIVE. ON NOV. THIRTEEN
LAST [REDACTED] RECEIVED A WIFE FROM [REDACTED] AT LA REQUESTING A DUPLICATE
OF LAST AMOUNT, ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS, SAYING HE HAD A BUSINESS
DEAL IN LAS VEGAS AND WOULD REPAY IT.
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[REDACTED] REQUESTED THE NAME BE SENT CARE OF M. COHEN, FURNISHING
AN ADDRESS FOR LETTER IN LA. [REDACTED] SENT A CHECK FOR ONE THOUSAND
AS DIRECTED ON NOV. THIRTEEN DRAWN ON HIS PERSONAL ACCT. AT MERS.
TRUST CO., NYC, CHECK NUMBER SEVEN THREE EIGHT NAUGHT. [REDACTED]
ADVISED THAT THIS IS THE LAST HE HEARD FROM [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED ABOVE.

[REDACTED] INQUIRED AT BANK CONCERNING NOV. SIX CHECK DURING INTERVIEW
AND WAS ADVISED SAME ENDORSED AT LA BANK BY [REDACTED] AND MICHAEL
COHEN. THIS CHECK BEING OBTAINED TOMORROW AND ARRANGEMENTS MADE
TO OBTAIN NOV. THIRTEEN CHECK ON CLEARANCE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED HE IS FRIEND OF [REDACTED] FOR PAST [REDACTED]
YEARS BUT HAS NOT HEARD FROM HIM RECENTLY. [REDACTED] RECEIVED CALL FROM
[REDACTED] SIMILAR TO ABOVE DESCRIBED BUT UNABLE TO FURNISH HER ANY
INFO. AND ADVISED HER TO CALL [REDACTED] [REDACTED] HAS RECEIVED NO REQUEST
FOR MONEY FROM [REDACTED] HAS NOT BEEN
OR HEARD OF LATTER SINCE LAST NOV. WILL ADVISED IF CONTACTED. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ACQUAINTED
WITH [REDACTED] YEARS ADVISED THAT ON OR ABOUT NOV. SIX LAST
HE RECEIVED CALL AT NYC OFFICE PAREN CIRCLED FIVE DASH EIGHT ONE NAUGHT
EIGHT AND PAREN FROM [REDACTED] AT [REDACTED] REQUESTED TWENTY
FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS GIVING NO EXPLANATION.

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[REDACTED] AGREED TO ADVANCE ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS. [REDACTED] STATED HE **b7c**
NEEDED MONEY IMMEDIATELY AND SUGGESTED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] BARBARA HOTEL, ADVANCE SAME TO HIM. [REDACTED] AGREED
AND TELEPHONED [REDACTED] AT HOTEL, LA, TELLING HIM TO ADVANCE [REDACTED]
ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS. [REDACTED] THEN SENT THIS AMOUNT BY CHECK TO
[REDACTED] STATES HE HAS NOT HEARD FROM [REDACTED] SINCE THIS CALL
ON NOV. SIX. [REDACTED] REFUSED TO EXECUTE SIGNED STATEMENT. STATEMENTS
OF [REDACTED] AT VARIANCE WITH STATEMENTS OF [REDACTED] STATES [REDACTED]
RECEIVED FURTHER REQUEST FOR MONEY FROM [REDACTED] WITHIN PAST TWO DAYS
AND REFUSED TO FURNISH MORE MONEY. [REDACTED] WILL BE REINTERVIEWED.

[REDACTED] STATES [REDACTED] MAY CURRENTLY BE IN PHILA. WITH [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] SCHEDULED TO FIGHT THERE NEAR FUTURE.

INQUIRY CENTRAL MANHATTEN TRUST, NYC, REVEALS [REDACTED] CHECK TO [REDACTED]
DATED NOV. EIGHT LAST ENDORSED BY [REDACTED] WHO DEPOSITED SAME SECURITY
FIRST NATIONAL BANK, LA. NOTATION ON CHECK QUOTE LOAN TO [REDACTED]
UNQUOTE. THIS CHECK NOT SEEN BY AGENTS THIS OFFICE TO DATE. PHOTO
OF CHECK TO BE OBTAINED TOMORROW. [REDACTED] STATES HE RECEIVED
PHONE CALL FROM [REDACTED] ELVIDERE HOTEL, HERE, RE WHEREABOUTS
OF [REDACTED] NOV. THREE LAST. [REDACTED] TOLD [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND FRIENDS
IN LA ADVISE [REDACTED] DISAPPEARED.

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EXPRESSED CONCERN AND REQUESTED ASSISTANCE TO LOCATE [REDACTED]
UNABLE TO FURNISH INFO RE WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] RECORDS REVEALED
HOTEL REVEAL [REDACTED] CHECKED IN OCT. TWENTY SEVEN LAST AND CURRENTLY
RESIDES THERE. TELEPHONE TOLLS BEING OBTAINED. [REDACTED]
ENROUTE NYC FROM MIAMI WILL BE INTERVIEWED NOV. SEVENTEEN. INQUIRY
PICASSILLY HOTEL, NYC, [REDACTED] NEGATIVE. YEAR
OLD PHOTO OF [REDACTED] IN GROUP WITH [REDACTED] OBTAINED.
PHILA. AND LA REQUESTED TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED] SALT
LAKE AND NEWARK ADVISED FOR INFO. LOS ANGELES REQUESTED TO ADVISE
IF INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED] DESIRED. [REDACTED] WILL NOT BE INTER-
VIEWED UNLESS BUREAU SO INSTRUCTS. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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WICKY COHEN ET AL, [REDACTED] - VIVID. REMTELO FIFTEENTH AND
BUTEL SIXTEENTH. [REDACTED], LAPD INTELLIGENCE UNIT, HAS FURN-
ISHED INFO FROM A CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT REFLECTING THAT BETWEEN MID-
NIGHT AND FOUR AM NOV. FOUR, COHEN WAS IN ALMOST CONSTANT CONTACT WITH
LAS VEGAS CHARACTERS BY PHONE RE LOCATING [REDACTED] IN
ADDITION TO [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] HE HAD [REDACTED] AND MOE SEDWAY
HUNTING FOR VICTIM THERE. INFORMANT ADVISED THAT COHEN SEEMED
TO ORDER [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] BUT WAS MORE CIRCUMSPECT WITH [REDACTED]
AND SEDWAY. COHEN ALSO CAUSED OTHER UNKNOWN MEN HERE TO PUT
PRESSURE ON HIS LAS VEGAS CONTACTS TO FIND [REDACTED] HE GAVE PERSONS
CONTACTED IN LAS VEGAS A PHONY REASON FOR NEEDING [REDACTED] BY
TELLING THEM [REDACTED] WAS IN JAIL ON A CHARGE INVOLVING A \$
CHECK WRITTEN BY [REDACTED] AND THE [REDACTED] HE COULD CLEAR [REDACTED]
WAS TO GET [REDACTED] BACK TO LA. HE ALSO INDICATED THERE WERE OTHER
MORE IMPORTANT REASONS WHY [REDACTED] SHOULD RETURN TO LA. INFORMANT
SAID COHEN ALSO TOLD THAT [REDACTED] DID NOT TRY TO LOCATE [REDACTED]

NOT FOUND IMMEDIATELY. THREE DISCREPANCIES NOTED BY THE LAS VEGAS

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INVESTIGATED LAST TUESDAY AND INTERVIEW.

Ref: [REDACTED]

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SENT [REDACTED] TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS TO LAS VEGAS NOV. FOURTEEN b7c
FOR TRAVELLING EXPENSE TO NEW YORK. STATES [REDACTED] SHOULD BE IN
NEW YORK NOW AND SHOULD BE EASILY LOCATED THROUGH SOURCES SET OUT
NYTEL. [REDACTED] FURNISHED SUBSTANTIALLY SAME INFORMATION AS
PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED PD AND IS OBVIOUSLY WITHHOLDING PERTINENT
INFORMATION. WILL BE REINTERVIEWED. [REDACTED] UNDER SUBPOENA
TODAY AND TOMORROW BEFORE KEFAUVER COMMITTEE, THEREFORE, NOT
AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW UNTIL SAT. [REDACTED], BOOKMAKER
ASSOCIATE OF [REDACTED] INTERVIEWED. HE VERIFIED [REDACTED] RECENT
POOR FINANCIAL CONDITION STATING [REDACTED] HAS LOST HEAVILY FOR
PAST TWO MONTHS. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING LA TO IDENTIFY AND
LOCATE [REDACTED], A BOOKIE WHO WAS WITH [REDACTED] ON OCT. TWENTYEIGHT
WEEKEND AND MAY HAVE ACCOMPANIED HIM TO LAS VEGAS. COVERAGE
EFFECTED IN EVENT [REDACTED] RETURNS LA. LEADS FOR NEW YORK.....
LOCATE [REDACTED] AND THOROUGHLY INTERVIEW. ASCERTAIN SPECIFIC
DETAILS AS TO WHY HE LEFT LA OCT. THIRTY OR NOV. ONE AND WHY
COHEN ORDERED HIM BROUGHT BACK TO LA. ALSO, AMOUNTS PAID COHEN
AFTER RETURN LA AND AMOUNT STILL OWED AND ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR
PAYMENT. OBTAIN [REDACTED] CHECK TO [REDACTED] ADVISE SU AND
LA IMMEDIATELY WHEN [REDACTED] LOCATED. LEADS FOR SU.....
INTERVIEW [REDACTED] FOR ALL DETAILS RE COHEN'S CONTACT TO LOCATE AND
COHEN'S ORDERS TO BRING [REDACTED] BACK TO LA NOV. FOUR. [REDACTED] EXTREMELY

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IMPORTANT WITNESS. RE STATEMENT YOUR TEL [REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] b7C
THEY THINK [REDACTED] WAS KIDNAPPED BUT THERES NOTHING TO [REDACTED] IT.
OBVIOUSLY TRYING TO MINIMIZE THE INCIDENT AND HIS PARTICIPATION.
ALSO OBTAIN FROM [REDACTED] MINUTE DETAILS RE DISCREPANCY IN AMOUNT
OF WXZRUCHEN REPORTEDLY GAVE [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] TOLD PD
[REDACTED] GAVE HIM FIVE HUNDRED DOLLAR CHECK ON OCT. TWENTYNINE
WHICH BANK WOULD NOT CASH. COHEN'S PHONY STORY DEALT WITH A
SEVENTEEN HUNDRED DOLLAR CHECK [REDACTED] ATTEMPTED TO CASH.
YOUR TEL STATES [REDACTED] WAS ADVISED [REDACTED] GAVE [REDACTED]
TWENTYTWO HUNDRED DOLLAR CHECK WHICH [REDACTED] MISUSED. REPORTED
THAT NO LONG DISTANCE CALLS MADE OR RECEIVED CHARLESTON HOTEL
PHONE. PD INFORMANT ADVISED COHEN DID CONTACT [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]
AT CHARLESTON HOTEL FROM LA. INTERVIEW AND OBTAIN SIGNED STATEMENTS
FROM [REDACTED] AND SEDWAY RE REASONS GAVE THEM TO LOCATE [REDACTED]
IN ORDER THEY CAN BE WITNESSES TO FALSE REASON COHEN WAS GIVING.
[REDACTED] MAY PRESENTLY BE IN LA UNDER SUBPOENA TO KRAVITZ
COMMITTEE AND THEREFORE NOT AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW UNTIL RETURN
TO LAS VEGAS. /INTERVIEW SEDWAY UACB BY NOV. EIGHTEEN/. PHOTO
OF [REDACTED] NOT AVAILABLE LA. NEW YORK FURNISH SU AND LA AMST.

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~~REVISIONS~~ - PAGE 2 LINE 2 WORD 7 SHOULD READ "COHEN'S"

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WASH NEW YORK 1 FROM LAX SALT LAKE CITY VIA LOS ANGELES 11 9-40
DIRECTOR AND SACS NEW YORK AND LOS ANGELES **URGENT**
MICKEY COHEN, ET AL, [REDACTED], VIKID. RE LOS ANGELES TELS FIFTEENTH
AND SIXTEENTH INST AND HOTEL SIXTEENTH INST. SIGNED STATEMENTS TAKEN
FROM [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] BOTH LAS VEGAS, SUBSTANTIALLY SAME
AS INFORMATION THEY FURNISHED TO LOS ANGELES PD, AS SET FORTH IN
LA TEL FIFTEENTH INST. SIGNED STATEMENT FURNISHED BY [REDACTED], LAS
VEGAS, DIFFERS FROM INFORMATION ATTRIBUTED TO HER BY LA PD IN THAT NO
LONG DISTANCE CALLS WERE MADE OR RECEIVED BY [REDACTED], OR
[REDACTED] ON CHARLESTON HOTEL PHONE. [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] MADE LOCAL CALLS
DURING INCIDENT IN QUESTION AND AFTER LEAVING HOTEL, [REDACTED] CALLED
[REDACTED] BACK TO RECEIVE LOCAL CALL ON HOTEL PHONE. DURING CALL [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] CALL BELIEVED FROM [REDACTED]
BELIEVED [REDACTED] WHOM [REDACTED]
HAD TRIED TO REACH SEVERAL MINUTES PRIOR FROM HOTEL PHONE. ALL THOSE
INTERVIEWED INDICATED NO VIOLENCE AND NO INDICATION VICTIM BEING FORCED
TO ACCOMPANY [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] HAS BEEN QUESTIONED IN LAS VEGAS
RELATIVE TO [REDACTED] PRESENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN ADVISED LAST SAW [REDACTED]
IN LAS VEGAS ON ARMISTICE DAY AT [REDACTED] INN HOTEL. [REDACTED] TOLD HIM
HE HAD COME TO LAS VEGAS FROM LA BY SLEEPER TRAIN AND WAS LOOKING
FOR A ROOM TO STAY OVER IN LAS VEGAS, BUT HAD BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL BECAUSE
[REDACTED]

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ROOMS ARE IMPOSSIBLE TO GET IN LAS VEGAS ON HOLIDAYS. IN CONVERSATION WITH [REDACTED] LEARNED THAT [REDACTED] HAD BEEN ROUSED BY LA PD WHILE IN COMPANY OF COHEN RIDING IN COHEN'S AUTOMOBILE AND WAS INTERVIEWED FOR SEVERAL HOURS RELATIVE TO INST MATTER. [REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] "THEY THINK I WAS KIDNAPED BUT THERE IS NOTHING TO IT." HE EXPLAINED TO [REDACTED] THAT HE HAD LEFT LOS ANGELES AROUND FIRST INST AND HAD GIVEN [REDACTED] TWENTYTWO HUNDRED DOLLAR CHECK TO PAY OFF THOSE ON ONE SHEET IN CONNECTION WITH BOOKING ACTIVITIES OF [REDACTED] IN LA. [REDACTED] APPARENTLY MISUSED INST CHECK AND FAILED TO MAKE PROPER PAYOFF WHICH CAUSED COHEN TO DESIRE TO HAVE [REDACTED] RETURNED TO LA TO STRAIGHTEN MATTER OUT. [REDACTED] DOES NOT KNOW [REDACTED] PRESENT WHEREABOUTS BUT APPEARS ANXIOUS TO ASSIST IN HIS LOCATION AND WILL FURNISH ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION RECEIVED. RECORDS UNION PACIFIC RR REFLECT [REDACTED] ARRIVED LAS VEGAS FIVE AM ELEVENTH INST, HAVING PURCHASED ONE WAY TICKET IN LA TO LAS VEGAS. ALL AIRLINES AND UPRR, LAS VEGAS, CHECKED FOR RECORD OF [REDACTED] DEPARTING LAS VEGAS, WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. LOS ANGELES FURNISH PHOTO OF [REDACTED] TO SALT LAKE CITY IMMEDIATELY. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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NICHOLS, EDWARD, ETAL, [REDACTED], VIKING. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NYC, ON REINTERVIEW TODAY SUPPLIED THE FOLLOWING VERSION OF HIS RECENT DEALINGS WITH VICTIM [REDACTED] HE RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL AT HIS OFFICE FROM [REDACTED] ON NOV. SIX LAST IN WHICH [REDACTED] ASKED FOR A LOAN OF THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

[REDACTED] AGREED TO LOAN [REDACTED] ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND [REDACTED] SUGGESTED [REDACTED] AUTHORIZE [REDACTED] TO ADVANCE THE MONEY SO THAT HE COULD RECEIVE IT IMMEDIATELY. [REDACTED] REQUESTED BANK TO [REDACTED] ON NOV. SIX AND STATED THAT [REDACTED] AND NOT HAVE ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS. HE THEN SUGGESTED [REDACTED] AS A PERSON WHO COULD ADVANCE THE MONEY AND [REDACTED] PHONED [REDACTED] AND AUTHORIZED THE LOAN, [REDACTED] THEN SENDING HIS PERSONAL CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO [REDACTED] LATER IN THE WEEK, PROBABLY NOV. EIGHTH OR NINTH LAST, [REDACTED] RECEIVED A TELEGRAM FROM [REDACTED] ADDRESSED TO HIS HOME AT [REDACTED] IN WHICH [REDACTED] AGAIN REQUESTED [REDACTED] TO LOAN HIM THE ENTIRE THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS. [REDACTED] DID NOT ANSWER THIS WIRE. HE IS ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE [REDACTED] NOV. EIGHTH OR NINTH LAST. ON NOV. FOURTEEN LAST [REDACTED] RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING TELEGRAM

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██████████. "AM WAITING FOR YOUR LETTER. MUST HAVE WHAT I ASKED FOR. TRIAL STARTS THURSDAY. WILL NOT ASK YOU AGAIN EVER UNTIL I AM PAID UP WITH YOU. SEND CARE OF MR. EDWIN, FIVE ONE THREE MORRIS AVENUE, WEST LOS ANGELES. THANKS." THE WIRE WAS SIGNED ██████████

██████████ AND BORE THE FOLLOWING WESTERN UNION CODE... "LAFIVE ZERO NINE LSXA TWO THREE THREE --- NLPD-SX LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA FOURTEEN". THE WIRE WAS DATED NOV. FOURTEEN LAST AT FIVE TWENTY-NINE P.M. ██████████ ANSWERED ██████████ CARE OF H. COHEN, ABOVE ADDRESS, VIA TELEGRAM SENT NOV. FIFTEEN LAST, AS FOLLOWS... "IMPOSSIBLE TO DO ANYTHING NOW AS I EXPLAINED ON PHONE." ██████████ INTERVIEWED HERE NEGATIVELY.

██████████ ADMITS RECEIVING LETTER AROUND NOV. SIX LAST FROM ██████████ IN WHICH LATTER ASKS FOR A LOAN OF ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS. NO EXPLANATION BY ██████████ AS TO REASON FOR LOAN. ██████████ RESPONDED SAYING HE COULD NOT ADVANCE MONEY. ██████████, NYC, FRIEND OF ██████████ STATES HE RECEIVED AIR MAIL LETTER TODAY FROM A ██████████ FIVE FOUR - ONE NINE VEN AVENUE, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, WHO RELATED THAT ██████████ DISAPPEARED ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO AND RETURNED TO HIS HOME AT ██████████ ON NOV. FOURTEEN OR FIFTEEN LAST. ██████████ WAS RECEIVED

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NO INFORMATION AS TO WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] CERTAIN [REDACTED] WOULD
CONTACT HIM IF IN NYC. [REDACTED] FURNISHED AGENTS THIS OFFICE NOV.
SIX CHECK PAYABLE TO [REDACTED] IN AMOUNT ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS
ON RING, INC. ACCOUNT. THIS CHECK DRAWN ON MANUFACTURERS TRUST
COMPANY, NYC, ENDORSED BY [REDACTED] AND MICHAEL COWEN, AND CASHED
AT HOLLYWOOD STATE BANK, LOS ANGELES. DATE ILLEGIBLE BUT APPEARS TO
BE NOV. NINE LAST. PHOTOSTAT THIS CHECK BEING FORWARDED LA TOMORROW.

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[REDACTED] NOV. THIRTEEN CHECK NOT CLEARED TO DATE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED HIM THAT [REDACTED] NOT

IN NYC AND THAT [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, SHOULD KNOW
HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. [REDACTED]

SAYS [REDACTED] NOT IN NEW YORK CITY OR WOULD CONTACT HIM, AND FURNISHED
RESIDENCE ADDRESS OF [REDACTED] AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATES THAT IF [REDACTED] IN NYC HE WOULD

HAVE APPEARED AT CDM. [REDACTED] ADVISED AGENTS THAT HE HEARDED THAT

THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WERE ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE [REDACTED] ONE DAY PRIOR
TO DATE INVESTIGATION INSTITUTED BY THIS OFFICE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NOV. FIFTEEN LAST. [REDACTED] IN INTERVIEW, DID NOT MENTION

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RE CONTACT TO AGENTS OF THIS OFFICE. TOLL CHARGES FOR [REDACTED] b2
BELVEDERE HOTEL. REFLECT NUMEROUS CALLS TO PARK OPERATOR HOTEL,
NYC RESIDENCE OF [REDACTED] [REDACTED] FIGHT, MADISON
SQUARE GARDEN, THIS P.M. BEING COVERED BY AGENTS THIS OFFICE. INVESTI-
GATION TO LOCATE [REDACTED] CONTINUING.

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[REDACTED], VIKING. REURTEL NOVEMBER SEVENTEEN INSTANT. [REDACTED] ADVISED

ONE OF HIS CONTACTS, WHOSE NAME HE DOES NOT REMEMBER, TOLD HIM HE HEARD FROM [REDACTED] ON NOVEMBER EIGHT INSTANT. ACCORDING TO

[REDACTED] CAN PRESENTLY BE REACHED CARE OF [REDACTED], LOS ANGELES OLYMPIC AUDITORIUM. INTERVIEW WITH [REDACTED] FIGHT MANAGERS AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS NEGATIVE. REPORT FOLLOWS. ASBATICCHIO.

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WICKY COHEN, [REDACTED] - VIVID, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE THIS
OFFICE ADVISES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], WAS CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF [REDACTED] AND
POSSIBLY CAN FURNISH INFORMATION RE HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. IF NOT
ALREADY DONE SUGGEST [REDACTED] BE INTERVIEWED. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISES HE
LAST SAW [REDACTED] IN DEC. NINETEEN FORTY NINE AT OLYMPIC FIGHT CLUB IN
LOS ANGELES. [REDACTED] TOLD [REDACTED] THAT WICKY COHEN, FROM [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AT ONE TIME, WAS AFTER HIM ALL THE TIME AND THAT HE DID NOT
WANT ANY PART OF COHEN AND THAT HE THOUGHT COHEN WAS CRAZY. [REDACTED]
HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF CURRENT WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED]. SUGGEST CONTACT
WITH [REDACTED] AS ONE WHO WOULD KNOW [REDACTED]
WHEREABOUTS. CONTACT WITH SEVERAL OTHER INDIVIDUALS ASSOCIATED WITH
FIGHT FIGHTING NEGATIVE. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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WICKY CONEY, ETAL - [REDACTED] - VIKID. RE LA TEL AND NY TEL IN-
STANT RATE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED HE LAST SAW [REDACTED] LAST FEBRUARY IN
MIDMAN WITH [REDACTED], COPACABANA CLUB, NYC.
[REDACTED] IDENTITY AND LAST NAME UNKNOWN, A CREW MEMBER ON THE QUEEN
ELIZABETH, PROBABLY STEWARD DEPT., TOLD [REDACTED] ON NOV. SIXTEEN
LAST THAT [REDACTED] WAS IN CHICAGO. [REDACTED] UNABLE TO RECALL SOURCE
OF [REDACTED] INFO BUT WILL ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE THIS. [REDACTED] RELATED
THAT [REDACTED] FIRST BECAME ACQUAINTED WITH [REDACTED] WHEN LATTER ASSOCIATED
WITH [REDACTED] A [REDACTED] SUGGESTED CON-
TACT RE [REDACTED] IN [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] FORMERLY CONNECTED WITH FIGHT GAME. [REDACTED] IN
SANITARIUM AND UNAVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW AT PRESENT. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], ADVISED HE HAS KNOWN [REDACTED] FOR [REDACTED]
YRS AND HAS CORRESPONDED INFREQUENTLY WITH LATTER SINCE [REDACTED] LEFT
NYC. APPROXIMATELY SIX MONTHS AGO [REDACTED] ADDRESSED LETTER TO [REDACTED]
AT [REDACTED] HE RECEIVED NO
RESPONSE AND LETTER WAS NOT RETURNED. [REDACTED] SUGGESTED AS POS-
SIBLY ANOTHER CONTACT OF [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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WICKY COHEN, ETAL., [REDACTED], WIKED, DAILY SUMMARY, [REDACTED] b7C

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT SHE LAST SPOKE TO THE

[REDACTED] AT THAT TIME [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MENTIONED THAT SOME DAY THERE WOULD BE AN INVES.

AT THAT TIME THERE WOULD BE A LOT OF NAMES MENTIONED, AND HE DID NOT INTEND TO BE AROUND. HE DID NOT ELABORATE ON THE TYPE OF INVES HE WAS TALKING ABOUT. [REDACTED] THOUGHT HE WAS REFERRING TO THE BROOKLYN D.A.-C INVES OF GAMBLING. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATED SHE COULD FURNISH

NO OTHER INFO CONCERNING [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], ADVISED HE JUST RETURNED FROM CALIFORNIA. HE LEFT THERE ON OR ABOUT THE FIRST OF NOVEMBER. UP TO THAT TIME HE HAD BEEN IN CONSTANT CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] SEEING HIM ON AN AVERAGE OF THREE TIMES A WEEK AT THE FIGHTS. HE STATED THAT [REDACTED] WAS MAKING BOOK AND HAD BEEN HIT ON THE RAN FOOTBALL GAME AND OTHER THINGS AND PROBABLY WAS INDEBTED IN THE AMOUNT OF ABOUT FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS. [REDACTED] SAID THAT THERE WERE RUMORS BEFORE HE LEFT TO THE EFFECT THAT [REDACTED] WAS GOING TO COMMIT SUICIDE AND HAD LEFT A NOTE SO STATING. [REDACTED] SAID THAT THIS RUMOR WAS PREVALENT AMONGST THE FIGHT CROWD. HE SAID THAT IN HIS OPINION [REDACTED] WAS HIDING OUT SOME PLACE. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT HE WENT TO THE COAST FOR THE PURPOSE OF TAKING [REDACTED] ON A PREACHING TOUR THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY, BUT THIS FELL THROUGH, AND HE RETURNED TO NEW YORK.

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RICKY COHEN, ET AL, [REDACTED], VIKID. RE NEW YORK TEL TODAY
SETTING FORTH THAT ACCORDING TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND THAT IT IS NECESSARY HE COULD GO THERE AND REMAIN UNTIL
THINGS QUIETED DOWN. LOS ANGELES, NEW YORK AND SALT LAKE CITY
IN INTERVIEWING [REDACTED] FRIENDS AND ASSOCIATES SHOULD BE TRYING
IF [REDACTED] IS KNOWN TO HAVE CONTACTS IN CANADA AND HOTELS COAST
THERE IS ANY INDICATION THAT [REDACTED] MAY HAVE GONE TO CANADA.
IDENTITY AND LOCATION OF ANY SUCH CONTACTS SHOULD BE ASCERTAINED,
AND BUREAU ADVISED SO THAT BUREAU'S LIAISON REPRESENTATIVE IN
CANADA CAN MAKE APPROPRIATE INQUIRY MADE.

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MICKEY COHEN, [REDACTED]

VICTIM. RE LOS ANGELES

TEL NOVEMBER EIGHTEEN, LAST. FOR INFO CLEVELAND AND WASH FLD,
[REDACTED] WAS FLOWN BY CHARTERED PLANE FROM LAS VEGAS, NEVADA,
TO LA IN EARLY MORNING HOURS NOVEMBER FOUR, LAST, ON ORDER OF COHEN.
OTHER SUBJECTS PARTICIPATING IN LOCATING AND TRANSPORTING [REDACTED]
WHO IS A BOOKMAKER WHO HAD APPARENTLY RUN OUT ON COHEN NOVEMBER ONE,
LAST, OWING SEVERAL THOUSAND DOLLARS. COHEN IS A MAJOR LA HOODLUM
AND OTHER SUBJECTS ARE PRIMARILY BOOKMAKERS AND PROFESSIONAL GAMBLERS.
WITNESSES TO TRANSPORTATION STATE NO VIOLENCE WAS EMPLOYED AGAINST
VICTIM. USA, LA, HAS REQUESTED FULL INTES ON THEORY THAT [REDACTED]
WAS INVEIGLED INTO RETURNING TO LA BY INTIMIDATION, WHERE HE WAS
PRESSURED INTO BORROWING AT LEAST TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM FRIENDS
IN NEW YORK CITY. THIS MONEY, PLUS FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS OF HIS OWN,
WAS TURNED OVER TO COHEN. BUREAU HAS DIRECTED THAT SINCE POSSIBLE
CASE WILL DEPEND LARGELY ON THE TESTIMONY OF [REDACTED] EVERY EFFORT BE
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IMMEDIATELY MADE TO LOCATE HIM. [REDACTED] LAS VEGAS, ADVISED HE
LAST SAW [REDACTED] [REDACTED] DAY WHEN LATTER TOLD HIM HE HAD LEFT LA
BY SLEEPER TRAIN AND WAS LOOKING FOR A ROOM IN WHICH TO STAY OVER
IN LAS VEGAS. ANOTHER ASSOCIATE SAW [REDACTED] IN LAS VEGAS ON NOVEMBER
FOURTEEN, LAST. RAILROAD RECORDS REFLECT [REDACTED] ARRIVED LAS VEGAS
AT FIVE A.M. NOVEMBER ELEVEN ON ONE WAY TICKET FROM LA. INVE LAS
VEGAS HAS FAILED TO DISCLOSE INFO AS TO [REDACTED] DEPARTURE THEREFROM.
[REDACTED] PHONED [REDACTED] FROM LAS VEGAS AND STATED HE WAS GOING
TO NYC WHERE HE INTENDED TO STAY LONG ENOUGH TO STRAIGHTEN OUT HIS
AFFAIRS AND GET SOME MONEY. [REDACTED] HAS FOR MANY YEARS BEEN ASSOCIATED
WITH THE FIGHT GAME [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] MONEY TO PAY OFF COHEN WAS BORROWED FROM [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] EFFORTS TO FIND [REDACTED] UNSUCCESSFUL TO DATE. IF [REDACTED]
LOCATED IMMEDIATELY ADVISE LA, OFFICE OF ORIGIN, SO THAT PERTINENT
INFO CAN BE FURNISHED TO ASSIST IN INTERVIEW. BUREAU INSTRUCTS
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THAT ALL LEADS MUST BE EXPEDITED AND BUREAU MUST BE KEPT CURRENTLY
INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS [REDACTED] b7C

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] HE CAN USUALLY
BE FOUND AT BOXING ARENAS OR TRAINING GYMS. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISES THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS ARE CLOSE FRIENDS OF
[REDACTED] AND LOGICAL CONTACTS IF LATTER IN NEED OF MONEY. CHICAGO..

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED], LATTER AN ASSOCIATE OF [REDACTED] AND BOTH [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AND MAY BE LOCATED AT [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CAN ADVISE AS TO WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] CLEVELAND.. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], AND EMPLOYED BY [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] BELIEVED TO RESIDE [REDACTED]

WASHINGTON FIELD.. [REDACTED] TRUE VALUE BEER AND ALE COMPANY,
SLIGO MILL ROAD, N.E. WASHINGTON, D.C., TELEPHONE RANDOLPH ONE TWO
HUNDRED. PHILADELPHIA.. [REDACTED]

ADVISES A [REDACTED] RESIDES [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] INTERVIEW RE WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] b7c
[REDACTED] ACCORDING TO [REDACTED]
ATTEMPT BEING MADE TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED] A NIGHT CLUE
OPERATOR, NYC. [REDACTED] RESIDES NYC AND WILL
BE INTERVIEWED. [REDACTED] BEING INTERVIEWED TODAY. TO DATE INQUIRY
NYC FAILS TO DISCLOSE WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED]

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RICKY ROSEN, ET AL, [REDACTED] FASH VIKID, [REDACTED] GUTHRIE

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] LAST SIGNED [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

LOCATED AND TRACED AT W.H.L. LA. PROBABLY SUCH WIRE SENT BY COHEN OR
OR BEHALF OF COHEN BY SOMEONE OTHER THAN [REDACTED]

KNOWS [REDACTED] THRU [REDACTED] ONLY. SAW [REDACTED] LA OCT. FIFTEEN,
FIFTY, AND NO KNOWLEDGE SINCE. [REDACTED] RECONTACTED [REDACTED] ADVISED

HE IS CERTAIN [REDACTED] NOT IN LA BECAUSE [REDACTED] WOULD HAVE
CONTACTED HIM. [REDACTED] FEELS CERTAIN [REDACTED] WENT EAST. MAY

HAVE STOPPED OVER CHICAGO. STATES FRIEND OF HIS IN LAS VEGAS
ADVISES [REDACTED] NOT THERE. FIGHTS AT AMERICAN LEGION STADIUM,
HOLLYWOOD, COVERED BY SAS LAST NIGHT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS RE
LOCATING [REDACTED] [REDACTED] THOSE TRUE NAME IS [REDACTED]

INTERVIEWED LAST NIGHT AND TODAY. SIGNED STATEMENT
OBTAINED TODAY. [REDACTED] EVASIVE AND VAGUE ABOUT COHEN'S

PRESENCE AT [REDACTED] OFFICE AND TODAY CHANGED STORY SOMEWHAT BY STATING
HE LEARNED FROM HOTEL EMPLOYEES LAST NIGHT THAT COHEN
WAS IN THE HOTEL DURING THE MORNING OF NOV. FOUR LAST.

MAINTAINS DOES NOT KNOW TRUE NAME. [REDACTED] BELIEVES

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IF [REDACTED] IN LA, WE WOULD KNOW. CLAIMS LAST SAW [REDACTED] ON NOV. SEVEN. ALSO SAW [REDACTED] AT HIS OFFICE IN MAYAN HOTEL MORNING OF NOV. FOURTH, AT WHICH TIME HE CLAIMS [REDACTED] IN COMPANY OF [REDACTED]. CLAIMS [REDACTED] AT THAT TIME SAID HE HAD COME BACK WHEN HE HEARD THAT [REDACTED] WAS IN TROUBLE WITH POLICE AND THAT [REDACTED] WAS THE KEY TO THE SITUATION. ALSO CLAIMS [REDACTED] SAID HE SUPPOSED THAT NOW HE WAS BACK, THEY WOULD STOP WORRYING ABOUT HIM. CLAIMS [REDACTED] ALSO AT [REDACTED] OFFICE WITH [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] BUT [REDACTED] DENIES KNOWING THEIR CONVERSATION. [REDACTED] STATEMENTS IN VARIANCE WITH COHEN'S TESTIMONY BEFORE KEFAUVER COMMITTEE YESTERDAY AS REPORTED BY LA DAILY NEWS, WHICH SETS OUT QUOTED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. NEWS REPORTS THAT [REDACTED] COMMITTEE-S COUNSEL, ELUCIDATED ADMISSION FROM COHEN THAT HE KNOWS [REDACTED] BUT COHEN DIDN'T ANSWER AS TO WHETHER [REDACTED] A BOOKER. COHEN ADMITTED TALKING WITH [REDACTED] ON WEEKEND OF NOV. FOUR LAST ABOUT [REDACTED] HEINT MISSING, BUT TERMED IT ABSOLUTELY RIDICULOUS THAT HE WAS RESPONSIBLE. ADMITTED KNOWING [REDACTED] IN LAS VEGAS AND ASKING HIM AND [REDACTED] TO FIND [REDACTED] SAID THEY DID AND TOLD COHEN QUOTE LOCK OUT HE DON-T KILL HIMSELF UNQUOTE. SAID HE WANTED [REDACTED] TO RETURN TO LA BECAUSE POLICE WORRIED ABOUT HIM AND QUOTE

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YOU'RE SURE GOING TO GET A LOT OF PEOPLE PINCHED UNQUOTE. COHEN
ADMITTED MEETING [REDACTED] IN [REDACTED] OFFICE WHERE CLAIMED

[REDACTED] DENIED ASKING [REDACTED] TO MAKE GOOD ON A BET. STATING
QUOTE YOU'RE FOLLOWING WHAT THE LA POLICE SAY DEPARTMENT THINKS
THAT-S NOT TRUE UNQUOTE. CLAIMS [REDACTED] GAVE HIM FOUR THOUSAND
DOLLARS AT [REDACTED] HOME AND THAT HE RETURNED IT TO [REDACTED] NOW.
SIX AND [REDACTED] THEN GAVE HIM A ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR CHECK SIGNED
BY [REDACTED] LATER AT HEARINGS, COHEN STATED [REDACTED] NOT A
CAMELER NOR BOOKMAKER AND STATED QUOTE YOU'RE TRYING TO CLEAN
UP SOMETHING FOR THE LAPD AND YOU HAVE NO FACTS. YOU-VE GOT
BUN INFORMATION UNQUOTE. CLAIMED [REDACTED] IS HIS BEST FRIEND.

[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED LAST NIGHT. DECLINED TO FURNISH
INFORMATION UNTIL AFTER HIS TESTIMONY BEFORE KEFAUVER COMMITTEE.
STATED IT IS OBVIOUS SOMEONE WAS COHEN'S HOUSE WIRED UPDURING
FROM QUESTIONS ASKED OF COHEN BY KEFAUVER COMMITTEE. [REDACTED]
WAS IN ATTENDANCE THERE DURING COHEN QUESTIONING. THIS WILL NO
DOUBT RESULT IN LOSS OF MICROPHONE COVERAGE MAINTAINED AT PRESENT BY
LAPD ON [REDACTED]. EXISTANCE OF SUCH WIRING IN TO THIS OFFICE UNTIL LAPD
REPORTED FACTS IN THIS CASE.

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NOTE THAT SO WILL BE ADVISED CFB

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MICKY COHEN, ETAL. [REDACTED] VICTIM, KIDNAPPING. [REDACTED] TEL THIS
DATE. [REDACTED] CHICAGO, ADVISED HE HADN'T SEEN [REDACTED] SINCE
NINETEEN FORTY NINE. BELIEVES [REDACTED] TO STILL BE IN LA. [REDACTED],
PINE SIDE CYN, [REDACTED], MIDWEST CYN, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ALL OF THEM KNOW [REDACTED]
WILL. ADVISED [REDACTED] NOT IN CHICAGO AND BELIEVED TO BE IN LA. ALL
STATED THAT ANY ONE AT MAIN STREET CYN, LA, SHOULD KNOW [REDACTED]
LOCATION. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] MIGHT KNOW [REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS. PWC.

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VIKING. DAIRY SUMMARY.

[REDACTED] BELIEVES [REDACTED]

HAS IN PAST BEEN USED AS HOODLUM HIDE-OUT. THIS CHECKED OUT AND NO INDICATION THAT [REDACTED] THERE. ATTEMPTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO IDENTIFY AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED] LANDLADY BUT SHE IS NOT AVAILABLE WITHIN MONDAY AM. NO INFO DEVELOPED [REDACTED] HAS RETURNED TO LA AREA.

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HICKEY CLOHEN, ET AL, [REDACTED], VIKID. DAILY SUMMARY. LA PREPARING
QUESTIONS FOR USA ASSISTANCE IN GRAND JURY QUESTIONING NEXT WEEK.
USA CONTEMPLATES GRAND JURY ACTION POSSIBLY NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE. [REDACTED]
TO BE FURTHER INTERVIEWED IN LA. HE IS DUE TO ARRIVE AT FOUR THIRTY PM
MONDAY. NO FURTHER DAILY SUMMARIES UACB.

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WAGNER COHEN, WAS. - [REDACTED]

WAGNER:

[REDACTED] CONTACTED FOR INFO ON [REDACTED]

AND ADVISES THAT HE HAS NOT SEEN [REDACTED] IN SEVERAL YEARS.

COOPERATIVE AND ADVISES HE IS PLANNING TO ATTEND THE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FOOT AT CINCINNATI ON NOV. TWENTY-NINE NEXT. STATES THAT

IF [REDACTED] IS IN THIS AREA AT ALL HE WILL ATTEND THIS MATCH AND ADVISES

FURTHER THAT HE WILL CONTACT THE CINCINNATI DIVISION OF THE BUREAU

IN THE EVENT HE SECURES INFO ON [REDACTED] LA REQUESTED TO SO ADVISE

CINCINNATI AND GIVE NECESSARY BACKGROUND INFO AND INSTRUCTIONS IN

THE EVENT [REDACTED] LOCATED.

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URGENT

MICKEY COHEN, ETAL, [REDACTED] VIKID. REURTELS TWENTYFIRST

INSTANT. [REDACTED] WAS REGISTERED AT ALLEN HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, ELEVENTH AND TWELFTH INSTANT, CHECKING OUT DURING DAY OF THIRTEENTH INSTANT. WHEREABOUTS SINCE THEN UNKNOWN TO HOTEL OPERATORS. [REDACTED] IS BELIEVED

TO HAVE INTEREST IN SPORTS BOOK AT DESERT INN, LAS VEGAS, BUT HAS NO INTEREST IN HOTEL ITSELF. [REDACTED] OF SPORTS BOOK,

DESERT INN, ADVISED [REDACTED] FORMER CUSTOMER OF BOOK, DOING BUSINESS BY PHONE FROM [REDACTED], BUT DIDNT KNOW [REDACTED] WAS BOOKIE HIMSELF.

[REDACTED] ADVISED RECEIVED CALL THIRTEENTH INSTANT FROM [REDACTED] IN LOS ANGELES INSTRUCTING TO CONTACT [REDACTED] AT ALLEN HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, AND ARRANGE TO MAKE TWO HUNDRED DOLLAR LOAN TO [REDACTED] [REDACTED] PROMISED

[REDACTED] SHORTLY THEREAFTER AT ALLEN HOTEL AND TOLD HIM TO COME FOR LOAN. [REDACTED] OBTAINED LOAN SAME DAY, LEAVING TYPEWRITER AS COLLATERAL. [REDACTED] ALSO LEFT THREE STONE MANS RING, GOLD FOUNTAIN

PEN AND GOLD ROSETT WRIST WATCH SEALED IN ENVELOPE UPON WHICH HE WROTE "WITH MY THANKS, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] DID NOT SAY WHERE HE INTENDED TO GO WHEN LEAVING DESERT INN BUT DID SAY HE WOULD COME BACK TO REDEEM [REDACTED] ITEMS SOMETIME IN NEAR FUTURE. [REDACTED] WAS NOT SEEN

[REDACTED] SINCE AND HAS NO IDEA OF PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. ENVELOPE BEARING [REDACTED] HANDWRITING OBTAINED AND BEING FORWARDED LA OFFICE.

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MOE SEDWAY WAS IN CLARK CO. CENTRAL HOSPITAL, LAS VEGAS, WITH INFLUENZA FROM SECOND TO SIXTH INSTANT SO COULD NOT HAVE RECEIVED CALL AT FLAMINGO ON FOURTH INSTANT. [REDACTED] EL RANCHO VEGAS HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, ADVISED [REDACTED] WAS CUSTOMER OF SPORTS BOOK AT HOTEL, MAKING ONE BET BY PHONE FROM [REDACTED] FOR ONE HUNDRED THIRTY DOLLARS OCTOBER FIFTEENTH LAST. [REDACTED] CLAIMS HE ONLY KNOWS OF [REDACTED] THROUGH THIS ONE BET, HAS NEVER MET PERSONALLY, AND HAS NO IDEA OF PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. [REDACTED] ALSO ADVISED HIS [REDACTED] PROBABLY MET [REDACTED] WHEN LATTER COLLECTED INSTANT BET IN [REDACTED] DOUBTS THAT LATTER WOULD KNOW WHEREABOUTS BUT ADVISED LATTER CAN PRESENTLY BE CONTACTED IN LOS ANGELES BY TELEPHONE [REDACTED] LA INTERVIEW LATTER.

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DIRECTOR, SACS

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MICKY COHEN ET AL, [REDACTED] VIKID. REMYTEL NOV. SEVENTEEN
AND BUTEL NOV. SEVENTEEN. [REDACTED] LOCATED NEW ORLEANS.

DISCONTINUE ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE. BUREAU DISCONTINUE WANTED NOTICE

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NEW YORK

WICKY COHEN, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DASH VIKID. RE LOS ANGELES TEL
FIFTEENTH INSTANT AND NEW YORK TEL SIXTEENTH INSTANT. UNABLE TO
IDENTIFY [REDACTED] IDENTIFICATION DIVISION FILES ON BASIS OF
INFORMATION FURNISHED. A WANTED NOTICE HAS BEEN PLACED IN OUR NAME
FILES.

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TO DIRECTOR AND SAC FROM LOS ANGELES
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MICKEY COHEN, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DASH VIAD. BUREAU TO
BUREAU TODAY. LAPD INTELLIGENCE UNIT WHICH INVESTIGATES GANGSTER
AND RACKETEERS HAS ADVISED THAT ON NOVEMBER FOUR LAST VICTIM
[REDACTED] WAS TRANSPORTED BY CHARTERED PLANE FROM LAS VEGAS, NEVADA TO
LA AGAINST HIS WILL AND AT DIRECTION OF MICKEY COHEN, NOTORIOUS LA
HOOBLUM. NO VIOLENCE KNOWN TO HAVE OCCURRED BUT VICTIM INFLUENCED
TO COME BY INTIMIDATION. ON BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS FACTS PRESENTED TO
USA LA ARREST TOLIN WHO STATED THEY APPARENTLY CONSTITUTE A BONA FIDE
VIOLATION ALTHOUGH WEAK. TOLIN REQUESTED THIS OFFICE DEVELOP FULL FACTS
AFTER WHICH HE WILL RENDER PROSECUTIVE OPINION. STATES INTERNAL REVENUE
CASE NOW BEING DISCREETLY PREPARED FOR PROSECUTION AGAINST COHEN. LAPD
FEELS FBI IS BETTER EQUIPPED THROUGH ITS PRESTIGE AND BROAD FACILITIES
TO HANDLE WITNESSES HERE, IN LAS VEGAS AND IN NEW YORK AND TO
DEVELOP CASE. THEY OFFER FULL COOPERATION. BACKGROUND AS POLICE
HAVE DEVELOPED IT IS AS FOLLOWS. [REDACTED] OPERATED A GAMBLING BOOM FOR
COHEN IN [REDACTED] SUBURB OF LA, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] UNTIL OCTOBER TWENTY [REDACTED] LAST
SOMEHOW ABUSED COHEN-S CONFIDENCE IN HIM EITHER BY PRIVATELY BETTING
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COHEN'S TAKE THAT DAY AND LOSING IT BY ACTUALLY STEALING THE TAKE. **b7c**

[REDACTED] SLIPPED OUT OF LA ON OR ABOUT THE TWENTYEIGHTH TAKING THE ONE SHEET WITH HIM. APPARENTLY BETTORS OF THAT DAY WERE NOT PAID OFF BY COHEN OR HIS ORGANIZATION PENDING RETURN OF THE ONE SHEET. COHEN FIRST ATTEMPTED TO LOCATE [REDACTED] THROUGH UNDERWORLD CONTACTS AND THROUGH AN OFFICER OF THE LAPD. HE FINALLY FOUND HIM THROUGH [REDACTED], LA AND LAS VEGAS GAMBLING FIGURE. [REDACTED] HAD REGISTERED AT A FIFTH RATE HOTEL THE CHARLESTON, AT LAS VEGAS ON NOVEMBER ONE LAST. COHEN CONTACTED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND ORDERED [REDACTED] TO BRING [REDACTED] TO LA. [REDACTED] DEMURRED BUT FINALLY AGREED. [REDACTED] CHARTERED STINSON PLANE AND [REDACTED] OF DESERT SKYWAYS THROUGH [REDACTED], WESTERN AIRLINES FACCATI MASTER AT LAS VEGAS. [REDACTED] ARRANGES CHARTER FLIGHTS CONTRARY TO COMPANY REGULATIONS. [REDACTED], ACCOMPANIED BY [REDACTED], BELIEVED TO BE A KINOR, HOODLUM FORMERLY OF CLEVELAND, WENT TO THE CHARLESTON HOTEL AT OR BEFORE FOUR AM AND AWOKED [REDACTED] AT THE
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HOTEL THE NIGHT CLERK [REDACTED] WAS ON DUTY. [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED], WAS IN

LOBBY. [REDACTED] OBSERVED THE ACTIVITIES AND WATCHED [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], WHOM SHE DID NOT KNOW, ESCORT [REDACTED] OUT OF HOTEL. SHE

OBSERVED [REDACTED] PANTS WERE UNBUTTONED IN FRONT AND HE APPEARED

HURRIEDLY DRESSED AND EXCITED. THE OTHERS APPEARED EXCITED TOO.

[REDACTED] CALLED BACK INTO LOBBY BY [REDACTED] TO ACCEPT PHONE CALL AND BOTH HE

AND [REDACTED] TALKED BY PHONE TO COHEN. WHILE IN LAS VEGAS,

[REDACTED] ASKED [REDACTED] IF HE WAS TO BE HURT AND [REDACTED] GAVE A NEGATIVE

ANSWER. [REDACTED] WAS THEN ESCORTED TO LAS VEGAS AIRPORT BY [REDACTED]

AND [REDACTED] IN [REDACTED] CAR. THEY MET [REDACTED] AND ALL FOUR

WAITED FOR [REDACTED] AIRPLANE WHICH WAS SUPPOSED TO BE THERE AT

FOUR AM, BUT WAS DELAYED BY MECHANICAL TROUBLE. THE STINSON

ARRIVED AT SIX AM. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CONVERSATION EN ROUTE TO LA NOT

KNOWN. PLANE MET AT LA AIRPORT BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RETURNED

WITH PILOT TO LAS VEGAS. [REDACTED] TOOK [REDACTED] TO [REDACTED]

AT HOTEL MAYOR, LA. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] COHEN WAS AT [REDACTED] HOTEL OFFICE. **b7c**
THAT DAY [REDACTED] WITHDREW FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS FROM HIS BANK IN
HOLLYWOOD PAYING THIS TO COHEN. NEXT DAY HE RECEIVED A THOUSAND
DOLLAR CHECK LOAN FROM [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] THIS HE PAID COHEN. FOLLOWING DAY HE RECEIVED A THOUSAND
DOLLAR CHECK LOAN FROM [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AND THIS MONEY TURNED OVER TO COHEN. [REDACTED] IS STILL
SUPPOSED TO FURNISH MORE MONEY TO COHEN, BUT EXACT AMOUNT UNKNOWN.
POLICE BELIEVE HE TOOK ABOUT FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS OF COHEN'S
MONEY. [REDACTED] PRESENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN. LAPD INTERVIEWED
[REDACTED] AND HE CLAIMED HE DID NOT OWE COHEN ANY MONEY BUT HAD
GIVEN COHEN TWENTYFIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS BECAUSE COHEN NEEDED IT
AND IS AN OLD FRIEND. STATED HE AND COHEN TALKED ABOUT MONEY AT
[REDACTED] OFFICE. THE POLICE'S FOUR HOUR INTERVIEW WITH VICTIM
PRODUCED MAINLY LIES. OFFICERS FLEW TO LAS VEGAS WHERE INTERVIEWED
[REDACTED] WHO ADMITTED TAKING [REDACTED] TO LA BUT CLAIMED COHEN HAD SAID
[REDACTED] WAS IN TROUBLE FOR GAMBLING AND WAS TO BE ARRAIGNED
FOLLOWING DAY. COHEN, ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] SAID HE NEEDED [REDACTED] TO
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FRONT FOR [REDACTED] WHO HAD BEEN A RUNNER UNDER [REDACTED] AND ALSO NEEDED
[REDACTED] TO SQUARE A SEVENTEEN HUNDRED DOLLAR CHECK FOR HIM. OFFICERS
POINTED OUT THAT COHEN'S STORY WAS OBVIOUSLY FALSE SINCE COURT
ARRAIGNMENTS ARE NEVER MADE ON SATURDAY. [REDACTED] GLASPHEMED
COHEN FOR INVOLVING HIM AND SAID HE WAS TRYING TO BREAK AWAY FROM
COHEN AND UNDERWORLD CONNECTIONS. POLICE BELIEVE [REDACTED] WILL BE
PROSECUTION WITNESS. AT LAS VEGAS THEY ALSO INTERVIEWED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]
WELL ENOUGH SO THAT THEY COULD BE IDENTIFIED THROUGH SHERIFF'S RECORDS.
SHE THEN IDENTIFIED THEIR PICTURES. [REDACTED] CLAIMED TO HAVE SEEN
NOTHING. [REDACTED] PLACED [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] AT THE AIRPORT BUT
RELATED NO CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN THEM. [REDACTED] CLAIMED TO HAVE
HEARD NO CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN VICTIM AND SUBJECTS. IN LA, [REDACTED]
DENIED COHEN'S PRESENCE AT HIS OFFICE. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED BY
OFFICERS AS [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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LEADS FOR NEW YORK.....INTERVIEW [REDACTED] IN GREAT DETAIL REGARDING [REDACTED] REQUEST FOR MONEY AND OBTAIN SIGNED STATEMENT. IF COMMUNICATION WAS BY TELEGRAM OR IN WRITING OBTAIN DOCUMENT FOR EVIDENCE. OBTAIN THOUSAND DOLLAR CHECK AS EVIDENCE AND SUTEL LA ENDORSEMENTS AND BANK STAMPS ON CHECK FOR TRACING. OBTAIN RECORD OF OTHER TRANSACTIONS [REDACTED] HAD WITH [REDACTED] INTERVIEW [REDACTED] SAME AS REQUESTED OF [REDACTED] THOROUGHLY INTERVIEW BOTH INDIVIDUALS AS TO ASSOCIATES, RELATIVES AND CONTACTS OF [REDACTED] TO ASCERTAIN PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. INTERVIEW [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED], BOTH ASSOCIATES OF [REDACTED] AS WELL AS ANY OTHER ASSOCIATES DEVELOPED FOR INFO AS TO HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. INTERVIEW [REDACTED] AND ARRANGE TO DETERMINE [REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS. OBTAIN PHOTOS OF [REDACTED] FROM [REDACTED] NYPD OF [REDACTED] AND FORWARD AMSD TO LA AND SLC. LEADS FOR SALT LAKE CITY.....INTERVIEW AND OBTAIN SIGNED STATEMENTS IN GREAT DETAIL [REDACTED], DESERT SYMMAYS OR [REDACTED] ALSO FROM [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] ASCERTAIN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES REGARDING [REDACTED] CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] AT HOTEL CHARLESTON. IDENTIFY ANYONE WHO MAY HAVE BEEN WITH [REDACTED] OR ANY ADDITIONAL WITNESSES TO ANY STATEMENTS MADE BY [REDACTED] TO [REDACTED] ASCERTAIN ACTIVITIES OF [REDACTED] IN LAS VEGAS PRIOR TO NOVEMBER FOURTH AND ANY CONTACTS MADE WHO MAY HAVE INFO AS TO WHY HE

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FLED LA AND HIS STATUS WITH LOHEN PRIOR TO BEING TRANSPORTED BACK TO LA. LAPD OFFICERS WERE ASSISTED IN LAS VEGAS BY CAPT [REDACTED] AND A [REDACTED] OF LVSO WHOM THEY CONSIDER RELIABLE. OBTAIN PD NUMBERS AND DESCRIPTION ON [REDACTED] FROM LVSO FILES TO HAVE BUREAU IDENTIFY AND FURNISH COMPLETE CRIMINAL RECORD. FORWARD PHOTOS TO LA OF [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] IF AVAILABLE. DEFER INTERVIEWS WITH [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] PENDING ADVICE BY LA. FURTHER DETAILED INFORMATION WILL BE FURNISHED REGARDING INTERVIEWS MADE BY PD TO FACILITATE THESE INTERVIEWS. BUREAU ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY CRIMINAL RECORD OF [REDACTED] AND PLACE A WANTED NOTICE IN IDENT FILES. ADDITIONAL IDENT INFORMATION ON SUBJECTS WILL FOLLOW FOR CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK. LA OBTAINING FURTHER DETAILS OF LAPD INVESTIGATION AND ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE [REDACTED] BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED DAILY OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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MILTON COHEN, [REDACTED]

- VIKING FOR INFO

OFFICES HAVING NO PREVIOUS CORRESPONDENCE THIS CASE, VICTIM
WAS FLOWN BY CHARTERED PLANE FROM LAS VEGAS, NEVADA TO LA IN EARLY
MORNING HOURS NOV. FOURTH LAST ON ORDERS OF COHEN. OTHER SUBJECTS
PARTICIPATED IN LOCATING AND TRANSPORTING VICTIM, A BOOKMAKER WHO HAD
APPARENTLY RUN OUT ON COHEN NOV. FIRST, OWING SEVERAL THOUSAND DOLLARS.
COHEN IS A MAJOR LA HOODLUM AND OTHER SUBJECTS ARE PRIMARILY BOOKMAKERS
AND PROFESSIONAL GAMBLERS. WITNESSES TO TRANSPORTATION STATE NO
VIOLENCE WAS EMPLOYED AGAINST VICTIM. USA HAS REQUESTED FULL INVESTI-
GATION ON THEORY THAT [REDACTED] WAS INVIGILED INTO RETURNING TO LA BY
INTIMIDATION WHERE HE WAS PRESSURED INTO BORROWING AT LEAST TWO THOUSAND
DOLLARS FROM FRIENDS IN NY. THIS MONEY PLUS FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS OF HIS
OWN WAS TURNED OVER TO COHEN. BUREAU HAS DIRECTED THAT SINCE POSSIBLE
CASE WILL LARGELY DEPEND ON THE TESTIMONY OF VICTIM, EVERY EFFORT BE
IMMEDIATELY MADE TO LOCATE HIM. [REDACTED] IN LAS VEGAS. ADVISED HE LAST

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CHICAGO,

SAN DIEGO,

IF LOCATED IMMEDIATELY ADVISE LA SO THAT
FULL PERTINENT INFO CAN BE FURNISHED TO ASSIST IN INTERVIEW. BU-AU
INSTRUCTS THAT ALL LEADS MUST BE EXPEDITED AND BUREAU MUST BE KEPT
CURRENTLY INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS. DESCRIBED AS

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SUBJECT: EDWARD J. BRENNAN, AKA; ALVIN KARPIS; EDWARD BRENNAN; EDWARD BRENNAN; EDWARD BRENNAN

HICKEY COHEN, ET AL. [REDACTED] VIKED. DAILY SUMMARY. BUTEL POINTS OUT NO EVIDENCE HAS BEEN DEVELOPED VICTIM WAS FORCIBLY TRANSPORTED AND DIRECTS THAT IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE SHOULD BE INTERVIEW WITH VICTIM SO FACTS MAY BE REDISCUSSED WITH USA TO DETERMINE IF ANY VIOLATION. USA ERNEST A. TOLIN, LA AND TWO OF HIS ASSISTANTS HAVE BEEN SPECIFICALLY ADVISED THAT NO INDICATION OF FORCE OR VIOLENCE HAS BEEN FOUND. USA-S OFFICE CONDUCTED RESEARCH INCLUDING REVIEW OF PRIOR KIDNAPING CASES TO ASCERTAIN STRENGTH OF THE STATUTE AS INDICATED BY COURT INTERPRETATIONS OF THE WORDS QUOTE INVIEGLE, UNQUOTE AND QUOTE OTHERWISE UNQUOTE OF THE ELEMENT QUOTE THE PERSON WAS HELD FOR RANSOM, REWARD OR OTHERWISE UNQUOTE. USA BELIEVES THAT IN SPITE OF LACK OF FORCE OR VIOLENCE AND LACK OF INDICATION THAT VICTIM WAS HELD AFTER BEING TRANSPORTED, THERE IS A GOOD CHANCE THAT SUCCESSFUL PROSECUTION MAY EVOLVE BECAUSE OF COHEN-S REPUTATION WHICH IS BELIEVED TO BE OF SUCH A NATURE THAT THE VICTIM COULD BE INVIEGLED, WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE STATE, BY IMPLIED A THREAT. REGARDING THE TERM QUOTE OTHERWISE UNQUOTE USA BELIEVES IT POSSIBLE THAT TRANSPORTATION OF VICTIM TO LA FOR THE PURPOSE

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OF COLLECTING A DEBT MAY BE SUFFICIENT FOR PROSECUTION IN THE
CITATIONS READ BY USA-S OFFICE IN RESEARCH. TOLIN DOES NOT CONSIDER IT
A STRONG CASE, BUT HIS FIRST ASSISTANT, WALTER BURNS, DID RAISE THE
POINT THAT PROSECUTION COULD BE SUCCESSFUL WITHOUT THE USE OF THE
VICTIM AS A GOVERNMENT WITNESS IN THIS INSTANCE. HIS FEELING ON THIS
POINT WAS ONLY BRIEFLY STATED BUT WAS ALONG THE LINE THAT IF VICTIM WERE
NOT CALLED TO TESTIFY BY THE GOVERNMENT, HE WOULD PROBABLY BE CALLED
BY THE DEFENSE AND FALSIFY THE FACTS. HE BELIEVES THERE IS A POSSIBILITY
THAT THIS WOULD BE FAVORABLE TO PROSECUTION SINCE THE VICTIM COULD THEN
BE POINTED OUT TO THE COURT AS A MAN SO HELD IN FEAR BY SUBJECTS THAT
HIS TESTIMONY COULD BE PROVEN FALSE. IT IS NOT PLANNED TO FURTHER
DISCUSS CASE WITH USA UNTIL FACTS MORE FULLY DEVELOPED. HOWEVER, EVERY
EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO OBTAIN COMPLETE FACTS FROM VICTIM WHEN LOCATED
AND TO HAVE HIM AS FRIENDLY WITNESS. [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED NOV. SIXTEEN. ADVISED HE BECAME ACQUAINTED [REDACTED]
NINETEEN TWENTYNINE WHEN [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] HAS BEEN RESIDING LA PAST EIGHT TO NINE MOS. [REDACTED] HAS BEEN
IN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] ALMOST EVERY DAY SINCE MOVED TO LA. ADVISED
[REDACTED] HAS BEEN TAKING FOOTBALL AND BASEBALL BETS, AND IS PERSONAL
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FRIEND OF MICKY COHEN. DENIES HAVING ANY INFO TO EFFECT COHEN HAD BEEN
BANKROLLING [REDACTED] IN GAMBLING ACTIVITIES. ADVISED [REDACTED] HAD THREE OR
FOUR AGENTS WORKING FOR HIM AND WOULD TAKE AS MUCH AS FOUR HUNDRED
DOLLAR BET AND [REDACTED] HAD BEEN LOSING CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF MONEY FOR
APPROXIMATELY THREE OR FOUR SATURDAYS,

ON FOOTBALL BOOK. BELIEVES HE LOST
BETWEEN FOUR TO SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS ON HIS BOOK LAST FEW SATURDAYS IN
OCT. DENIES HAVING ANY KNOWLEDGE OF [REDACTED] LOSING MONEY TO MICKY
COHEN. ON OCT. THIRTY [REDACTED] WAS TO MEET TWO OF HIS AGENTS FROM [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED], BUT DID NOT SHOW UP. [REDACTED] DID
NOT SEE VICTIM AT FIGHTS ON NIGHT OF OCT. THIRTY. SAID AGAIN NIGHT, OCT.
THIRTYONE, HE FAILED TO SHOW UP AT FIGHTS. ON OCT. THIRTY [REDACTED]
RECEIVED CALL FROM COHEN WANTING TO KNOW IF HE HAD SEEN [REDACTED] LATER
THAT NIGHT HE MET COHEN AT [REDACTED] IN HOLLYWOOD. MICKY ASKED HIM
QUOTE WHERE IS [REDACTED]. I CANNOT UNDERSTAND. WHERE DID HE GO
UNQUOTE. SAID THAT COHEN ASKED HOW [REDACTED] HAD BEEN DOING, HEARING IN
BOOKING OR FOOTBALL GAMES. [REDACTED] ADVISED COHEN [REDACTED] HAD HAD FEW
BAD WEEKS BUT DID NOT GO INTO IT IN FURTHER DETAIL. COHEN TOLD [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] TO ATTEMPT TO FIND OUT WHERE [REDACTED] HAD GONE. [REDACTED] SAID HE
TOLD COHEN VICTIM WAS ACQUAINTED WITH A FEW PEOPLE IN LAS VEGAS

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AND WOULD PROBABLY GO THERE IF ANY PLACE. DATE OCT. THIRTYONE

ASKED HIM IF HE HAD SEEN [REDACTED] OR HEARD FROM HIM.

HE TOLD

HE DID NOT KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT [REDACTED]. HE SAW HICKEY COHEN FRIDAY NIGHT, NOV. THREE, AND COHEN ASKED AGAIN IF HE HAD SEEN [REDACTED]

SAID HE ANSWERED QUOTE YOU KNOW AS MUCH ABOUT HIM AS I DO UNQUOTE.

COHEN ASKED HIM IF HE HAD GONE TO NY. [REDACTED] TOLD COHEN TO CALL [REDACTED]

ON SAT., NOVEMBER FOUR, [REDACTED] CALLED [REDACTED] AT MAYAN HOTEL. DESCRIBES [REDACTED] AS [REDACTED] ARENA AND CLOSE

FRIEND OF [REDACTED] AND COHEN. CLAIMS DURING ROUTINE CONVERSATION [REDACTED]

ADVISED [REDACTED] HAD RETURNED TO LA BUT HE DID NOT KNOW

WHERE HE WAS AND ADDED [REDACTED] HAD BEEN IN LAS VEGAS. ON EVENING NOVEMBER

FOUR COHEN AND [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] WENT TO [REDACTED] HOME. [REDACTED]

CLAIMS NEITHER [REDACTED] NOR COHEN HAD CONVERSATION WITH [REDACTED] BUT COHEN

APPEARED NERVOUS AND PACED FLOOR WHILE THERE. [REDACTED] STATED WAS TIRED AND

HAD BEEN IN LAS VEGAS. [REDACTED] DENIED KNOWING WHY COHEN WANTED

TO SEE [REDACTED] ON THIS PARTICULAR NIGHT. SAID ON NOVEMBER SEVEN HE

AGAIN SAW [REDACTED], HAD DINNER WITH HIM AND DID NOT HEAR FROM HIM AGAIN

UNTIL NOVEMBER FOURTEEN WHEN [REDACTED] CALLED HIM FROM LAS VEGAS. ADVISED

HE WAS BROKE AND WANTED TO BORROW MONEY SO COULD RETURN TO NY.

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THRU UNIDENTIFIED FRIEND IN LAS VEGAS LOANED TWO
HUNDRED DOLLARS TO GO TO NY AND HAS NOT HEARD FROM HIM SINCE.

LOCATED LA TODAY. TRUE NAME

FURNISHED SIGNED

STATEMENT SAYING HE SAID HE WAS KNOWN SINCE APPROXIMATELY
NINETEEN THIRTY AS A

HE BECAME CLOSE FRIENDS WITH DURING OCTOBER, FIFTY,
AT WHICH TIME HE LEARNED WAS MAKING BOOK ON FOOTBALL GAMES.

HE HAS OFTEN HEARD MENTION HE WAS A GOOD FRIEND OF COHEN-S AND
A VISITOR IN COHEN-S HOME. STATED THAT ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER

TWENTYNINE WERE TOGETHER AT
RESTAURANT IN HOLLYWOOD AND HE NOTICED WAS DEPRESSED.

SAID HE DID NOT FEEL WELL. ENROUTE HOME IN CAR
TOLD HE HAD A BAD DAY MEANING HE HAD LOST MONEY ON FOOTBALL

GAMES. THE NEXT DAY HE FAILED TO SHOW AT THE LOCAL RIFLES AND VARIOUS
PEOPLE ASKED WHERE WAS AND HE HEARD THAT HAD LEFT
TOWN OWING PEOPLE MONEY ON FOOTBALL BETS. ON THE THIRTIETH

SAW COHEN AND TOGETHER AT RESTAURANT AND

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ASKED [REDACTED] IF HE HAD HEARD FROM [REDACTED] WOMEN INDICATED INTEREST b7c
ASKING QUOTE I WONDER WHAT HAPPENED TO THE KID. UNQUOTE ON NOVEMBER
SECOND [REDACTED] WENT TO LAS VEGAS WITH [REDACTED]
A LAS VEGAS DEALER. [REDACTED] WENT TO LAS VEGAS JUST FOR THE TRIP.

[REDACTED] OF DESERT INN TOLD [REDACTED] HE SAW [REDACTED] AT THE INN
THE NIGHT OF NOVEMBER SEVENTH. [REDACTED] TRIED TO FIND [REDACTED] BUT WAS
UNSUCCESSFUL AND LEFT FOR LA LATE ON NOVEMBER FOUR. ON NOVEMBER SEVENTH

[REDACTED] INFORMED [REDACTED] RE [REDACTED] PRESENCE IN LA. QUOTE YES,
THEY BROUGHT HIM BACK. UNQUOTE [REDACTED] SAW [REDACTED] AT THE FIGHTS
THAT NIGHT BUT ADMITS TO NO CONVERSATION AND CLAIMS NOT SEEN OR HEARD
FROM HIM SINCE. [REDACTED] INTERVIEWED AT
LENGTH. WAS EVASIVE IN FURNISHING INFO RE COHEN. [REDACTED] ADMITS NO
LEGITIMATE INCOME. ADMITS ACQUAINTANCESHIP WITH [REDACTED] THROUGH COHEN.
DISCLAIMS KNOWING ANY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN COHEN AND [REDACTED] OTHER THAN
SOCIAL FRIENDSHIP. ADMITS FINDING OUT THAT [REDACTED] WAS MISSING FROM
LA ON MONDAY, OCT. THIRTYONE, LAST, AND UPON ADVISING COHEN BOTH
HE AND COHEN WERE GREATLY CONCERNED ABOUT FACT [REDACTED] MISSING BECAUSE
OF REPORTS [REDACTED] HAD SUICIDAL TENDENCIES. STATES WAS ADVISED BY CO-
HEN ON NOV. THREE THAT [REDACTED] WAS IN LAS VEGAS AND COHEN TOLD [REDACTED] TO
CALL [REDACTED] AT FLAMINGO HOTEL. [REDACTED] LATER RETRACTED THIS STATEMENT.
HOWEVER, HE ADMITS HE CALLED FLAMINGO HOTEL ON EVENING OF NOVEMBER
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THREE LAST BUT THAT [REDACTED] WOULD NOT TALK TO HIM. HE THEN CALLED [REDACTED] AT EL RANCHO HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, ASKING HIM TO LOOK UP [REDACTED] AT FLAMINGO HOTEL. [REDACTED] WAS AWAKENED FROM SLEEP AT ABOUT FOUR AM BY TELEPHONE CALL AND WAS TOLD TO MEET A PLANE AT BURBANK AIRPORT AT FIVE THIRTY AM. HE WOULD NOT IDENTIFY THE CALLER. STATES AFTER WAITING AT AIRPORT FOR SEVERAL HOURS, [REDACTED] BROUGHT [REDACTED] TO [REDACTED] IN AIRPORT TERMINAL. ADMITS GAVE [REDACTED] A CHECK IN AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED THIRTYFIVE DOLLARS DRAWN ON [REDACTED] ACCOUNT IN A LOS ANGELES BANK. [REDACTED] DROVE [REDACTED] IN HIS AUTOMOBILE TO [REDACTED] ROOM AT MAYAN HOTEL. [REDACTED] REMONSTRATED TO [REDACTED] ABOUT HAVING TO RETURN TO LA AND COMPLAINED ABOUT HAVING TO GIVE UP HIS HOTEL ROOM IN LAS VEGAS WHICH WAS PAID FOR TWO DAYS MORE IN ADVANCE. [REDACTED] LEFT [REDACTED] WITH [REDACTED] AT MAYAN HOTEL AND NEXT DAY [REDACTED] ABOUT FOUR PM THAT AFTERNOON WITH COHEN IN A BEVERLY HILLS [REDACTED] TO HIS HOME IN BURBANK AND LEFT HIM THERE. SAYS HE NEXT SAW [REDACTED] MONDAY, NOV. SIX, AT WHICH TIME [REDACTED] WITHDREW ONE HUNDRED THIRTYFIVE DOLLARS FROM HIS ACCOUNT IN A HOLLYWOOD BANK AND [REDACTED] THE MONEY TO [REDACTED] BANK ACCT. DOES NOT SAY SUCH WITHDRAWAL. [REDACTED] DISCLAIMS ARRANGING FOR THE PLANE FLIGHT AND FURNISHING ANY EXPLANATION AS TO THE REASON FOR PLANE FLIGHT. HE REPEATEDLY STATED

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HE WOULD UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES MAKE ANY STATEMENT TO INCRIMINATE HIM-
SELF OR HICKY COHEN IN ANY OFFENSE, LOCAL OR FEDERAL. [REDACTED] ADMITS
MANY ARRESTS BUT NO CONVICTIONS. ALTHO NO CURRENT EMPLOYMENT, NO
BANK ACCOUNTS, NO OWNERSHIP OF PROPERTY EXCEPT HIS AUTOMOBILE. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

CLAIMS HAS BEEN IN LOS ANGELES CONTINUOUSLY SINCE SEPT., FORTYNINE.
RE THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTYFIVE DOLLAR CHECK [REDACTED] STATED HE GAVE [REDACTED]
TO PAY FOR CHARTERING OF PLANE, [REDACTED]
BANK OF AMERICA, LA, ADVISED THIS CHECK NOW AT VERMONT AND RANCHED-
TIO BRANCH BANK. MAKER IS [REDACTED] NOVEMBER FOUR LAST, PAYABLE
TO CASH. ENDORSED EL RANCHO TEXAS, AND DEPOSITED OR CASHED AT FIRST
NATIONAL BANK OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS. SINCE [REDACTED] STATED HE
WAS PAID CASH, [REDACTED] PROBABLY CASHED THIS CHECK AT EL RANCHO TEXAS.
[REDACTED] PERSONAL BANK ACCOUNT SECURITY FIRST NATIONAL BANK, HOLLYWOOD
AND HIGHLAND BRANCH CANCELLED CHECKS FOR OCTOBER AVAILABLE. CHECK FOR
THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS DATED OCTOBER FOURTEEN PAYABLE CASH, ENDORSED
[REDACTED] CHECK EIGHTEEN HUNDRED DOLLARS, DATED OCTOBER SIXTEEN.

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ENDORSED MICHAEL COHEN, CHECK TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS DATED SEPTEMBER SIXTEEN, ENDORSED MICHAEL COHEN. COUNTER CHECK WITHDRAWAL BY [REDACTED]

ON NOVEMBER FOUR FIFTY OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS. ACCOUNT BALANCE NOW

FIVE DOLLARS TWENTYEIGHT CENTS. LA MIRROR LATE EDITION TODAY REFLECTS

TESTIMONY BY COHEN BEFORE KEEFAUTER COMMITTEE TODAY INCLUDED SOME QUES-

TIONS RE [REDACTED]. COHEN ADMITTED KNOWING [REDACTED] AS A SWELL FRIEND AND

THAT HE WAS WORRIED RE DISAPPEARANCE BECAUSE QUOTE THE GUY TOLD A LOT

OF PEOPLE HE WAS GOING TO COMMIT SUICIDE BECAUSE HE WAS BROKE. UNQUOTE.

MIRROR STATES [REDACTED] COUNTERED WITH THE SARCASTIC COMMENT, IT SEEMED

STRANGE COHEN WOULD TAKE TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM A MAN WHO CONTEMPLATE

SUICIDE BECAUSE HE WAS BROKE. WHEN ASKED IF [REDACTED] WAS A BOOKMAKER

COHEN REPLIED QUOTE NOT A BOOKMAKER, JUST A BETTOR. UNQUOTE. MIRROR

STATES COHEN ADMITTED [REDACTED] HAD LOS. FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS IN BETS AND

DISAPPEARED. [REDACTED] LOCATED LATE TODAY NOW BEING INTERVIEWED.

[REDACTED] ALSO BEING INTERVIEWED TONIGHT. LEADS BEING SET OUT

FOR NUMEROUS ADDITIONAL OFFICES TO LOCATE [REDACTED] SL PASCEETA [REDACTED]

CASHED ONE HUNDRED THIRTYFIVE DOLLAR CHECK OF [REDACTED] AT EL PASO TEXAS.

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SALT LAKE CITY ADVISED SEP.

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CC: YAA [REDACTED]

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LOS ANGELES**

FILE NO. 7-381

REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 11/28/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/16, 15-25/50	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]
TITLE WILLIAM J. [REDACTED] JR. Highway Coach [REDACTED]			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Los Angeles PD Intelligence Unit on 11/10/50 disclosed they received allegations on 11/4/50 that victim on that date was transported from Las Vegas, Nevada, to Los Angeles, California, via chartered airplane, and that such travel was against his will and at direction of subject COWEN, notorious Los Angeles hoodlum. Los Angeles Police conducted some preliminary investigation before turning information over to Bureau, satisfying themselves that a violation of the Federal Kidnaping Statute had probably occurred. Facts as then known presented to USA, Los Angeles, who requested investigation, but withheld prosecutive opinion until full facts developed. Efforts to locate [redacted] through Los Angeles associates unsuccessful to date.

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DETAILS:

This investigation is predicated upon information furnished by Captain [REDACTED] Intelligence Unit, Los Angeles Police Department, investigating gangsters and racketeers in Los Angeles.

Captain [redacted] on November 10, 1950, advised Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] that his office had obtained confidential information that victim [redacted] was brought by chartered airplane from Las Vegas, Nevada, to Los Angeles, California, at direction of subject COHEN for the purpose of obtaining from victim payment of gambling debts. [redacted] said [redacted] is known by the Police Department to have operated a football gambling book in [redacted] for COHEN, and that [redacted] recently left Los Angeles owing COHEN money. COHEN was known by the police to have been attempting to

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admitted that [redacted] was reluctant to furnish information in-
volving [redacted] but verbally abused GOMEZ for getting him involved. Officers
also interviewed [redacted]

that on October 11, 1950, Detective Sergeant [redacted] Hollywood Division, Los Angeles Police Department, was contacted telephonically [redacted] by [redacted] and later by COHEN himself, who requested that [redacted] locate [redacted]. On November 4, 1950, [redacted] was again contacted by COHEN, who said that [redacted] was in a hotel at Las Vegas [redacted].

Captain [redacted] pledged his full cooperation on the investigation as instituted by the FBI; and he stated that while the apparent kidnapping in this instance appears somewhat technical, it is the best evidence developed by his department on BORIN after several months of close surveillance. He also mentioned that although a violation of the California Penal Code covering kidnapping seems to be in point here, he felt that the FBI was better equipped through its broad facilities and practices to handle witnesses in this case, particularly those outside of Los Angeles.

The above information was furnished to the Bureau; and on November 13, 1954, the Bureau instructed that the facts as known

be immediately discussed with the United States Attorney, Los Angeles, for prosecutive opinion, and that this office should be governed by the United States Attorney's decision. b7c

On November 13, 1950, the facts of this case as known at that time were presented to United States Attorney ERNEST A. TOLIN by Special Agents [redacted] and the writer. Mr. TOLIN stated that a bona fide violation, although weak, seemed apparent. Mr. TOLIN was joined by Assistant United States Attorneys WALTER S. BINES and PAUL FITTING. Mr. TOLIN and his associates desired more details; and, consequently, arrangements were made for officers of the Los Angeles Police Department who had personal contact with the investigation then conducted by the Los Angeles Police Department, Intelligence Unit, to meet with the United States Attorney later that day. b7c

Detective Lieutenant [redacted] and Detective Sergeant [redacted] related details of their knowledge and investigation in this case to Assistant United States Attorneys FITTING and BINES and to United States Attorney TOLIN. Mr. FITTING stated he had meanwhile conducted research, including a review of prior kidnaping cases, to ascertain the strength of the statute as indicated by court interpretations, particularly of the words "inveigle" and "otherwise" of the element in the statute "that the person was held for ransom, reward or otherwise". Mr. FITTING said the statute had apparently been interpreted in a fairly broad sense in some cases he had found cited. The United States Attorney stated he believed that in spite of the lack of force or violence and lack of indication that victim was held after being transported, there appears to be a good chance that successful prosecution can evolve in this instant case because of GREEN's reputation, which is believed to be of such a nature that the victim could be inveigled, within the meaning of the statute by implied intimidation. Regarding the term "or otherwise", the United States Attorney believes it possible that transportation of the victim to Los Angeles for the purpose of collecting a debt may be sufficient for prosecution in light of citations. Mr. TOLIN stated that he does not consider this a strong case and Mr. BINES raised the point that prosecution would possibly be successful without the use of the victim as a Government witness in this instance. Mr. TOLIN amplified his comment stating that if the victim were not called to testify by the Government or would probably be called by the defense and might falsify the facts. He thought there was a possibility that the case could be favorable to prosecution, since the victim would be called to the stand as a Government witness by the Government and testimony would be proven false.

Mr. TOLIN requested that the matter be investigated, but he withheld prosecutive opinion pending the development of full facts. b7c

On November 15, 1950, Captain [redacted] Lieutenant [redacted] and Sergeant [redacted] furnished a copy of an official report by Sergeant [redacted]

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relating details of the contact of him by the COMEN regarding [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] reported that on October 31, 1950, at approximately 8:30 a.m., [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] called him [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said
that he turned the information over to the Intelligence Unit of the Police
Department, who could find no record of [REDACTED] leaving by airplane for New York
or the Philippines. [REDACTED] also reported that on November 1, 1950, at about
1:30 a.m., COMEN telephoned him [REDACTED] at which time [REDACTED] advised
COMEN that the police had no information regarding the airlines. [REDACTED] told
COMEN that [REDACTED] was a bookmaker from New York, and to this COMEN replied that
[REDACTED] was not a bookmaker. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] COMEN said that he had talked to [REDACTED] at 11:00
a.m., October 30, 1950, but could not understand the man's subsequent disappearance.

On November 4, 1950, at about 2:00 a.m., [REDACTED] reported he received
another telephone call [REDACTED] from COMEN who seemed alarmed and stated
that they had located [REDACTED] at a hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. [REDACTED]

No action was taken, accord-

and at about 3:00 a.m., according to his report.

A report of the Police Department's investigation as conducted
prior to the time the FBI was furnished the original information about this matter
was compiled by Sergeant [REDACTED] and furnished to this office by Captain [REDACTED]
on November 15, 1950. This report is as follows:

Abstract

parked at Hanger #2. It is a Stinson Model 105, 4 passenger
#N6918M. After getting gasoline [redacted] returned to
Las Vegas. b7C

On this same date (11-4-50) officers went to the Charleston Hotel,
119 So. First Street, Las Vegas, and interviewed the night clerk,
[redacted] who stated the following: [redacted] checked into
Room 217 on 11-1-50. Two men came for him about 2 A.M. on November
4, 1950. [redacted] was present in
lobby when these men left. [redacted] is an elderly man with poor memory.

Officers interviewed [redacted] She identified picture
of [redacted] and one of [redacted] She stated that she saw no force
used but that she knew something was wrong. She said she got the impression
that it was something like an automobile accident. She further stated
that the man made some phone calls and all left together in a black
Buick convertible.

On November 7, 1950 officers went to the El Rancho Vegas and questioned
Deputy [redacted] and Captain [redacted] of Clark County Sheriff's
Office were present. [redacted] made the following statements: b7C

Everybody was very excited about getting back to Los Angeles.
I don't work for COMEN.

[redacted] chartered a plane and took him to Burbank.
[redacted] made no threats to
[redacted] and used no force. He went back of his own free will
[redacted] went up to the hotel and out to the airport
but he didn't have anything to do with it. He just went along
for the ride. b7C

[redacted] was identified by Captain [redacted] Clark County Sheriff's
Office, Las Vegas as a hanger on and relief dealer for various Las Vegas
gambling clubs. [redacted]

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██████████ stated to offrs that at that time the plane was chartered left, refusing to make the flight on a single engine plane.

"On Nov. 8, 50 at approx 10:30 am, Lt. ██████████ Sgt. ██████████ and ██████████ went to the home of ██████████. There was no one home at this time. Offrs questioned the proprietor of a grocery store across the street from ██████████ residence as to his whereabouts. He stated that ██████████ had not been seen since 10 pm the night before. (It is felt that the people in this grocery store may have been acting as lookouts for this bookmaking operation.) Offrs noted a spec delivery letter for ██████████ in the mail box. ██████████ later told offrs that this letter was from ██████████ in New York and contained a check for \$1500.00. Also in the box was found some torn pieces of paper that indicated a 'notice of charge' slip from Security First Natl Bank, Highland-High Branch.

"Offrs went to this bank and learned that this slip had been sent to ██████████ on Oct 28, 50 and was a notice covering a check ██████████ had deposited. This check had been drawn on the Studio City Branch of this bank and signed by ██████████. The check had been returned marked 'not sufficient funds,' and in turn was charged against ██████████ account. While examining ██████████ account it was noticed that he had given a check to ██████████ on Oct 22, 50. ██████████ mentioned later in report as one of ██████████ (betting customers). This check had been endorsed by ██████████ and had cleared through a New York bank. It was also noted that there had been a cash withdrawal by ██████████ of \$300.00 on Nov. 1, 50 and another withdrawal of \$500.00 on Nov 4, 50, the day ██████████ returned to LA.

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"At approx 1:30 pm on this same date, Nov 8, 50, Lt. ██████████ Sgt. ██████████ and Offr ██████████ interviewed ██████████.

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When asked what he knew about ██████████ stated that he had known him for a number of years in the fight game and that ██████████. He said that he knew ██████████ had been making book in ██████████ and that he had some 'overboard' for about three or four thousand dollars on Oct 22, 50. ██████████ stated that he knew ██████████ had been missing since about that date and that ██████████ had made a couple of calls to Las Vegas to get him to come back here. He stated that ██████████ had come to his room on Saturday morning, Nov 4, 50, with ██████████ and that they had stayed there about two hours, except for a couple of instances in which they left the room for not more than fifteen or twenty minutes. He said that they made some phone calls from his room but that he didn't know who they had called. He said the ██████████ told him that he had only gone to Las Vegas to try to recuperate from his financial losses. He further stated that ██████████ had come to Los Angeles from New York about a year ago at which time he had about fifteen thousand dollars but that he had been betting

more than he was booking and had gone broke.. When asked how much money [redacted] owed and who he owed it to, he stated that he thought he owed about four thousand dollars but that the only person he knew that owed was [redacted] [redacted] was missing. When asked who he called in Las Vegas about [redacted] stated that he had called [redacted] He further stated that [redacted] had asked him for a thousand dollar loan on Tues, Nov 7, 50, but that since he had no cash on him and the banks were closed, he didn't let him have it. When asked if [redacted] had been in any trouble, [redacted] stated that he knew of no trouble [redacted] had been in, and that insofar as he knew, [redacted] and [redacted] were very good friends. (Subsequent investigation indicated that [redacted] may not have been telling the truth regarding his association with [redacted] and regarding the meeting between [redacted] and [redacted] having later stated that MICKEY COHEN was present in [redacted] room.)

"Later on this same date, Nov. 8, 50, [redacted] was picked up at his residence, [redacted] by Sgt. [redacted] and Offr [redacted] and brought to room 37, City Hall, where he was questioned by above offrs and Sgt [redacted] and Offr [redacted] stated that he was in Las Vegas and heard from [redacted] and [redacted] that everybody in Los Angeles was looking for him.

"He also stated that [redacted] contacted him about 2:00 am in the Charleston Hotel in Las Vegas and told him that as long as they wanted him to go back that the best thing to do was to go ahead and go because he, [redacted] had "been through this before and knew best." He said that [redacted] chartered a plane at the Las Vegas Airport and arrived at the Burbank Airport on Nov 4, 50 about 8:00 am. He stated that [redacted] was waiting at the airport when they arrived and that [redacted] took him to [redacted] He said that [redacted] returned to Las Vegas with the chartered plane. [redacted] stated that he stayed in [redacted] room for about two hours and that when he left he and [redacted] went to either sixth, seventh, or eighth and Hill Sts, parked the car, and accidentally ran into MICKEY COHEN. He said he got in the car with COHEN and went out on Shire Blvd. where they were stopped and questioned by offrs. When asked if he had withdrawn \$500.00 from the Security Bank at Lhd and explained that same day, Nov 4, 50, he first denied this but later admitted it after continued questioning. He stated that he had given this \$500.00 to COHEN. When asked if he had given any other money to COHEN he said that he had called [redacted] in New York City regarding a thousand dollar loan and that [redacted] had called [redacted] here in LA and told him to give [redacted] one thousand dollars, and that [redacted] gave him the thousand dollars by check which he turned over to MICKEY COHEN. He went with COHEN to the Had State Bank where COHEN either cashed or deposited same. This check was given to [redacted] by [redacted] in [redacted] room (date unknown) probably on Monday, Nov 6, 50. He further stated that he had gotten another

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thousand dollar check in the mail from [REDACTED] and that he had given this check to [REDACTED] who in turn cashed it at the Had State Bank on Wednesday, Nov 8, 50. He further stated that [REDACTED] was also trying to get another thousand dollars from [REDACTED] in New York City. He said the only reason he was giving [REDACTED] this money was because COHEN was a good friend and was broke and needed money. He stated that COHEN had not threatened him in any way. When questioned about coming down from Las Vegas, he stated that no force or threats had been used and that he came back only because he wanted to. Subject denied that he had been making book [REDACTED] but said that he had occasionally relayed bets on to Las Vegas for various friends. When asked who these friends were, he stated [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were the only ones he could remember.

"Subject's statements were somewhat inconsistent at times and he appeared to be in an agitated state of mind. Subject was caught in many details as to what he had done from the time he left Las Vegas, but steadfastly denied that he had been forced or threatened in any way. He did change his story, admitting that COHEN was at [REDACTED] Office and that they discussed money there. Said no demands made on him.

"On Nov. 10, 50, officers interviewed [REDACTED] 314 So. Main St., in this office. [REDACTED] stated that he had asked [REDACTED] a man he knew as a bookmaker on Main St., if he wanted a bet on the football game on Oct 23, 50. [REDACTED] said that he didn't want to take the bet himself but that he would phone it in to [REDACTED] on the phone and [REDACTED] took the phone and told [REDACTED] that he wanted \$100.00 on [REDACTED] said 'Okay you're on.' [REDACTED] stated that he expected to see [REDACTED] to get his money after he learned that he had won but [REDACTED] didn't come around and he didn't see him at the fights. He said he learned later that [REDACTED] was missing and that [REDACTED] came to him and said 'Keep your mouth shut and keep your mouth shut and you will get your money.' He further stated that on Tuesday, Nov. 14, 50, [REDACTED] had approached him at the fights at the Olympia and had given him the \$100.00 he had coming. He stated that this was the first that he knew that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were connected in the bookie racket.

"On Nov. 15, 50, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] came into this office voluntarily (after learning that [REDACTED] were looking for [REDACTED] was questioned by Sgt [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] as his connection with [REDACTED]. He stated that [REDACTED] was a bookmaker and that he had no connection with him other than friendship. When asked about [REDACTED] activity on Oct 23, 50, [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] had taken a lot of bets on the ball games that he was unable to pay off. He said he didn't know how much action there had been, but that there were about 25 houses on the one sheet. These names included [REDACTED] \$1000.00; [REDACTED] \$1700.00; [REDACTED] \$500.00; [REDACTED] \$500.00; [REDACTED] \$200.00;

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[redacted] (phonetic) [redacted] 11/15/50. [redacted] stated that [redacted] had been in the [redacted] at the Olympic Hotel, Nov 1, 50 and had given him the [redacted] [redacted] and given him a check for \$500.00. [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] on Nov 1, 50. [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] and presented it to [redacted] [redacted] who refused to cash it because signature didn't look like [redacted]. He stated [redacted] was present at the time [redacted] gave him the check and was with him all Sunday evening. He said he tore the check up after the [redacted] refusal to cash it.

"When asked how he knew [redacted] was in Las Vegas, he stated that [redacted] told him that [redacted] was there and that she had [redacted] Las Vegas Saturday morning, Nov 4, 50 at about 12:30 am. He also stated that [redacted] told him Saturday afternoon, Nov 4, 50, that [redacted] was back in [redacted].

"On Nov 15, 50, [redacted] called this office and stated to Offr [redacted] that [redacted] had called him yesterday, Nov 14, 50, from Las Vegas saying that he was on his way back to New York. [redacted] stated he thought [redacted] would be flying back and did not know where [redacted] was staying in Las Vegas."

The Bureau, on November 16, 1950, instructed that since any possible case will largely depend on the testimony of [redacted] every effort should be immediately made to locate and interview him. The Bureau also ordered that signed statements should be obtained from [redacted] and from any witnesses who can furnish pertinent information.

In view of the Bureau's instructions, emphasis was placed on locating [redacted] through his known associates in Los Angeles and through associates in New York and other major cities where [redacted] was reported to be well known.

By telephone on November 25, 1950, the New Orleans Office advised this office that victim [redacted] had appeared voluntarily in that city. The New Orleans Office was advised of the background and requested to interview [redacted]. A preliminary interview with [redacted] was conducted, according to New Orleans teletype which advised further that reservations had been made by him to return to Los Angeles in accord with a Grand Jury subpoena issued by the United States Attorney at Los Angeles ordering him to appear November 29, 1950. [redacted] according to this, is due to arrive in Los Angeles on the afternoon of Monday, November 27, 1950.

ENDING

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The following individuals have been interviewed with negative results as to the present whereabouts of [redacted] with negative results:

[redacted] Los Angeles, by SAs [redacted] and [redacted]

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Subject MICHAEL GROSS, 517 Belden Avenue, West Los Angeles, by SAs [redacted] and the writer;

[redacted] by SAs [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] by SAs [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] by SAs [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted], by SAs [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] by SAs [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] by SAs [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] by SAs [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] by SAs [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] by SAs [redacted] and [redacted]

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[REDACTED] by SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] at the [REDACTED] furnished information which is pertinent to this case. Details of such are not being set out herein but [REDACTED] which is as follows.

By teletype of November 17, 1950, the Bureau advised that a wanted notice had been placed in the Bureau's name files against [REDACTED]

By teletype of November 25, 1950, all offices having outstanding leads to locate [REDACTED] were advised to discontinue, and the Bureau's name file wanted notice was discontinued.

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LEADS

THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE

At Los Angeles, California

Will interview [REDACTED] upon his return to Los Angeles on November 27, 1950.

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REFERENCES:

Los Angeles teletypes to the Bureau dated November 10, 15-25, 1950;

Bureau teletypes to Los Angeles dated November 13 and 17, 1950.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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FBI FILE NO. 7-320 sub

REPORT MADE AT PHILADELPHIA	DATE WHEN MADE 11/28/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/18, 20-22, 24, 25/50	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] b7c
TITLE ALICE COHEN; [REDACTED]			CHARACTER OF CASE [REDACTED]

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is alleged to have left substantial gambling obligations behind. Same source states [REDACTED] has continued bet watching tactics until becoming involved with **MIKEY COHEN**, who is not going to let [REDACTED] get away with it. [REDACTED] has not contacted Philadelphia boxing figures in recent past.

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[REDACTED] states that he is an inveterate bet selector. It has come to [REDACTED] attention that [REDACTED] was chased out of [REDACTED] leaving behind him a number of unsatisfied gambling debts. [REDACTED] had become acquainted with the fact that the FBI was inquiring for [REDACTED] prior to contact with him. It had become known throughout the boxing fraternity and gambling circles in [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] had disappeared with some of [REDACTED] money and that apparently MICKY COHEN was not going to let [REDACTED] get away with it. [REDACTED] believes that [REDACTED] is dead or will be soon if he does not reimburse MICKY COHEN. He states that [REDACTED] at one time or another has alienated practically every friend that he ever had by borrowing money and then losing it gambling and thereafter failing to pay off the debt or else betting with people and failing to pay them when they won. On the occasions when he has had some money, [REDACTED] is quite sure that [REDACTED] has not returned.

[REDACTED] will advise this office if he develops information concerning [REDACTED]

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TELETYPE

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

TO TWO STATIONS

FROM THE ALBUQUERQUE

DIRECTOR AND SAC

URGENT

WICKY BOMER, ET AL. [REDACTED] VIKID. RE SLC TEL NOVEMBER SEVENTEEN. [REDACTED] IN SIGNED STATEMENT SAID THAT ON MORNING NOVEMBER FOURTEEN [REDACTED] PHONED HIM FROM LAS VEGAS ASKING TO BORROW TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS. [REDACTED] TOLD [REDACTED] HE DIDN'T HAVE IT BUT WOULD SEE WHAT HE COULD DO TO RAISE IT. [REDACTED] GAVE HIS ADDRESS AS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] THEN VISITED [REDACTED] [REDACTED] AGREED TO FAVOR [REDACTED] BY LOANING TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS TO GET BACK TO NEW YORK. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHOSE IDENTITY [REDACTED] INSTANTLY FURNISHED, CALLED DESERT INN LEAVING INSTRUCTIONS THAT [REDACTED] BE CALLED AND THAT HE BE LOANED THE TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS. [REDACTED] THEN WIRED [REDACTED] -DESERT INN WILL CONTACT YOU REGARDING THE MONEY YOU NEED. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] GOOD LUCK. [REDACTED] REPORTS NOW BEING MADE TO OBTAIN THE TELEGRAM. SLC CHECK AT [REDACTED] AND TRACE FROM THERE. AT

SUBJECTS

OBTAIN ALL PARTICULARS OF [REDACTED] TWO HUNDRED DOLLAR

WASH TO [REDACTED] AND RECD AT [REDACTED] FOR INFO. [REDACTED] COPY.

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FORWARD THIS TO LA FOR INFORMATION TO LABORATORY FOR HANDWRITING

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██████████ CAN THEN BE INTERVIEWED IN SUCH A WAY AS TO PROTECT
██████████ DETERMINE IF HOL SEDWAY IN LAS VEGAS ON NOVEMBER FOUR.
POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT COHEN IN EARLY MORNING CALL ON FOURTH TALKED
TO SOME OTHER HOE SUCH AS ~~RESIDENCE~~ OF DESERT INN. ALTHOUGH
INFORMANT SPECIFIED SEDWAY.

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CORRECTIONS

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SALT LAKE CITY TO BE ADVISED

cc - Mr. [unclear]
Mr. [unclear]

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United Laboratory
Mr. [unclear]
DO
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WICKY COHEN, ET AL, [REDACTED] VIKING, DAILY SUMMARY. SUBJ. b7c
COHEN INTERVIEWED TWENTYSECOND INSTANT. STATED HE HAD OVERRULED
ADVICE OF HIS ATTORNEY, [REDACTED] AND
VOLUNTARILY APPEARED AT OFFICE FOR QUESTIONING. CLAIMED CLOSE
FRIENDSHIP FOR [REDACTED], AND WHEN [REDACTED] FIRST DISAPPEARED FEARED
SOME MISFORTUNE HAD COME TO [REDACTED], SO HE MADE INQUIRY TO LOCATE
[REDACTED] SAID EITHER [REDACTED] OR [REDACTED] LOCATED [REDACTED] IN
LAS VEGAS, AND [REDACTED] CALLED COHEN. CLAIMED HE ASKED [REDACTED] TO
RETURN TO THE COMPANY OF HIS FRIENDS IN LA, AND MET [REDACTED] ON ABOUT
NOV. FOUR IN LA. CLAIMED HE DID NOT KNOW HOW [REDACTED] MADE TRIP FROM
LV TO LA, EXCEPT THAT [REDACTED] TOLD HIM IT WAS BY PLANE. HE MET [REDACTED]
IN DOWNTOWN LA WHERE THEY THEN WENT TO HOTEL ROOM [REDACTED]
ABOUT [REDACTED] LATER GOING TO COHEN-S TAILOR SHOP IN BEVERLY HILLS.
COHEN ADMITTED BORROWING THAT DATE FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS FROM [REDACTED]
WHICH HE CLAIMS HE REPAYED ON SIXTH INSTANT. SAID [REDACTED] THEN BORROWED
ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM [REDACTED] NYC, AND GAVE IT TO COHEN
AS LOAN. COHEN CLAIMS ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS [REDACTED] OBTAINED FROM
[REDACTED] THROUGH [REDACTED] WAS KEPT BY [REDACTED], ALTHO COHEN ADMITTED
FORGING [REDACTED] CHECK AND OBTAINING CASH FOR [REDACTED] COHEN CLAIMS

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[REDACTED] WAS ROUSTED AND MISTREATED BY LAPD ON EARLY MORNING OF NOV. TEN LAST. THIS IS CONTRARY TO LAPD REPORT WHICH REFLECTS [REDACTED] WAS INTERVIEWED BY PD ON EIGHTH INSTANT. COHEN SAID PD TOLD [REDACTED] HE WOULD CONTINUE TO BE ROUSTED AS LONG AS HE LIVED IN LA BECAUSE OF HIS FRIENDSHIP FOR COHEN. [REDACTED] WAS ACTUALLY LIVING IN CITY OF [REDACTED]. COHEN CLAIMS THIS ROUST WAS REAL REASON FOR [REDACTED] LAST DEPARTURE FROM LA. SAYS HE IS CONVINCED THAT [REDACTED] IS ALIVE BUT THAT HE DOES NOT KNOW WHERE HE IS. SAID POSSIBLE THAT [REDACTED] IS IN NYC OR LONDON. COHEN CLAIMED HE HAD NO INFO RE ANY CANADIAN CONTACTS OF [REDACTED]. COHEN DWELT AT LENGTH UPON HIS DISLIKE FOR THE LAPD SAYING HE HAD BEEN UNDER TWENTYFOUR HOUR SURVEILLANCE FOR MONTHS. [REDACTED] WAS REINTERVIEWED AND REPEATED PORTIONS OF COHEN'S STORY, EMPHASIZING CLOSE FRIENDSHIP OF COHEN AND [REDACTED] FOR [REDACTED] SAID [REDACTED] DISPATCHED TWO TELEGRAMS FROM DEPOT ON TENTH LAST TO [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] ASKING FOR MONEY BUT NOT MENTIONING IT WAS FOR COHEN. SAID [REDACTED] PREPARED ANOTHER MESSAGE AS FOLLOWUP TO BE USED IF [REDACTED] DID NOT COME THROUGH. [REDACTED] SAID HE SENT THIS MESSAGE ABOUT FOURTEENTH INSTANT TO [REDACTED] CLAIMS NO RESPONSE AND SAID HE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER COHEN RECEIVED MONEY FROM [REDACTED]. SAID HE THOUGHT [REDACTED] MIGHT STAY IN A FLOP HOUSE TYPE DWELLING IN NYC BOVARY. ADDITIONAL ACQUAINTANCES OF [REDACTED] INTERVIEWED, NEGATIVE RESULTS RE HIS WHEREABOUTS AND FRIENDS IN [REDACTED] OR ELSEWHERE. ONE ASSOCIATE OF [REDACTED] BELIEVES HE STILL OWNS FIFTY PERCENT OF A BOOKMAKERS COMMISSION [REDACTED] AND IT IS POSSIBLE HE HAS RETURNED TO [REDACTED] WHERE HE WAS

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PREVIOUSLY SUCCESSFUL FINANCIALLY. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED SAC STORY BEING PREPARED ON [REDACTED] AND STATED HAS
INFO HE DESIRED TO FURNISH THIS OFFICE. NO INFO WAS GIVEN [REDACTED]
BUT HE DID FURNISH COPY OF [REDACTED] ON [REDACTED] AS WIRE BY [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ON TWENTYFIRST LAST. MOST OF STORY APPARENTLY PROVIDED
BY [REDACTED] ALSO STATES FBI AGENTS QUOTE INVESTIGATING ALL NY
ANGLES OF THE DISAPPEARANCE OF [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

WROTE THAT AT TIME OF [REDACTED] UNEXPECTED ENTRY [REDACTED]

IN NINETEEN FORTYONE THERE WERE RUMORS HE HAD LOST SO HEAVILY ON
AN IMPORTANT FIGHT THAT HE COULD NOT PAY OFF DEBTS.

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T. J. [unclear]

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COMM WASHINGTON 48 AND LOS ANGELES 6 FROM NEW YORK

DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

NICKY COHEN, ET AL. [REDACTED] VIND. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED NOV. TWENTYFOUR THAT IT IS HIS OPINION THAT SIGNATURE OF [REDACTED] APPEARING ON CHECK SENT TO [REDACTED] CARE OF M. COHEN, SON NOV. THIRTEEN LAST IS A FORGERY. HE STATED THAT HE INTENDS TO TAKE ACTION AGAINST THE BANK FOR THE RETURN OF THIS ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS AS HE IS OF OPINION THAT [REDACTED] NEVER RECEIVED THIS MONEY. [REDACTED] DID NOT INDICATE THAT HE INTENDED TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION IN THIS REGARD. IT IS NOTED THAT THIS CHECK, MADE PAYABLE TO [REDACTED], DATED NOV. THIRTEEN LAST, BEARS ENDORSEMENTS OF [REDACTED] AND M. COHEN. THE STAMP APPEARING ON THE REVERSE REFLECTS IT WAS CASHED AT THE HOLLYWOOD STATE BANK, L.A., ON NOV. FOURTEEN LAST. INSTANT CHECK BEARS STAMPED ON ITS FACE "NO PROTEST". PHOTO COPIES OF [REDACTED] NOV. SIX AND NOV. THIRTEEN CHECKS BEING FORWARDED TO BUREAU AND LA TOMORROW. LA REQUESTED TO FORWARD BUREAU KNOWN SIGNATURES AND HANDWRITING OF [REDACTED] AND SUBJ FOR COMPARISON PURPOSES.

ALL NYC, ADVISE THEM

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HAVE NO INFO AS TO WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] AND HAVE HAD NO CONTACT WITH HIM FOR OVER A YEAR. [REDACTED] b7c
FURTHER ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DOUBTS [REDACTED] WOULD RETURN TO [REDACTED] OR WOULD CONTACT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OWES [REDACTED] A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF MONEY. ACCORDING TO INFO SUPPLIED [REDACTED] HAS TO REPAY [REDACTED] ON LATTER-S ARRIVAL IN NYC DEC. EIGHT NEXT. [REDACTED] TOLD [REDACTED] THAT SINCE [REDACTED] CANNOT BE LOCATED, SHE IS TRYING TO CANCEL THE TRIP AS [REDACTED] WOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO TAKE [REDACTED] SUFFICIENT MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES. INQUIRY NYC TO DATE FAILS TO DISCLOSE WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] NYC, THIS BEING COVERED BY AGTS THIS OFFICE. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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CHIEF INVESTIGATOR

W. J. [REDACTED]

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11-10 AM

DIRECTOR, FBI URGENT

MICKEY COHEN, ETAL, [REDACTED] KID. LA DAILY NEWS, NOV.

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TWENTYFOUR CARRIES ARTICLE RE [REDACTED] BEING MISSING AND FBI INVESTIGATING TO LOCATE. NO RELEASE HAS BEEN ISSUED BY THIS OFFICE AND ABOVE FOR BUREAU INFO.

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WASH 17 NYC 3 FROM LOS ANGELES

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8-05 PM

DIRECTOR AND SACS NEW YORK AND SALT LAKE CITY

URGENT

MICKY COHEN, ET AL, [REDACTED], VIKING. DAILY SUMMARY. LA CI [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATES HE IS CONFIDENT [REDACTED] STILL WORKING FOR COHEN, AT LEAST

INDIRECTLY. BELIEVES COHEN-S INTEREST IN LOCATING [REDACTED] WAS OVER A

FIXED FIGHT INVOLVING AN UNKNOWN AMOUNT OF MONEY. [REDACTED] NOW

UNDER ARREST FOR BOOKMAKING, SAYS [REDACTED] LAID OFF BETS [REDACTED] AND THAT

[REDACTED] LOST HEAVILY. BELIEVES [REDACTED] OPERATED ALONE BUT WAS CLOSE TO

MICKY COHEN THROUGH COHEN SETTING HIM UP WITH BURBANK PD TO OPERATE IN

[REDACTED]. FURNISHED NAMES OF FIVE MEN HE BELIEVED WERE [REDACTED] AGENTS.

[REDACTED] WHOSE NAME APPEARS IN [REDACTED] ADDRESS BOOK NOW BELIEVED TO

BE IN RENO, NEVADA. [REDACTED] STATES [REDACTED] USUALLY LIVES AT

[REDACTED] FROM WHOM [REDACTED] BORROWED TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS NOV. TEN LAST, AND

ON BOTH LIQUOR STORE WHERE LAID OFF BETS FROM [REDACTED] WERE FORWARDED TO

LAS VEGAS. [REDACTED] CLAIMS HE WILL BE FIRST MAN IN THIS TOWN [REDACTED] WILL

CONTACT. CAPTAIN [REDACTED] LAPD, VICE UNIT, TODAY RECEIVED LETTER FROM

[REDACTED] MPD, STATING THAT [REDACTED] WILL ATTEND [REDACTED]

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FIGHT IN CINCINNATI NOV. TWENTY-NINE NEXT AND WILL TRY TO LOCATE
[REDACTED] FOR [REDACTED] LAPD CONTACTED NYPD PRIOR TO BUREAU'S INTEREST.
ADDITIONAL ACQUAINTANCES OF [REDACTED] INTERVIEWED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS
RE HIS WHEREABOUTS AND FRIENDS IN CANADA. SALT LAKE CITY INTERVIEW
[REDACTED] PROBABLY AT GOLDEN HOTEL, PENDING CHECK AT VICTORIA
HOTEL. LEADS SET OUT FOR PORTLAND, CHICAGO, AND CINCINNATI TO LOCATE
TINER.

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SALT LAKE WILL BE ADVISED SEP. 4

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cc. F. J. [unclear]

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WASH IS FROM SAN DIEGO VIA LOS ANGELES

11-24-50

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DIRECTOR FBI AND SAC LOS ANGELES

URGENT

MICKEY CONER. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], VIKID. RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE
TO SAN DIEGO AND SALT LAKE CITY NOV. SEVENTEEN LAST. INQUIRIES
MADE AMONG SAN DIEGO DIVISION BOXING AND SPORTING CIRCLES DO NOT YET
DEVELOP ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION CONCERNING [REDACTED] MAY
POSSIBLY BE KNOWN TO A FIGHT PROMOTER IN TIJUANA, B. C., MEXICO WHO
SUSPECTS [REDACTED] MAY BE IDENTICAL WITH A [REDACTED] WHO FORMERLY
BOOKED FIGHTERS THERE OCCASIONALLY SOMETIME AGO, BUT WHO DOES NOT KNOW
HIM BY NAME. LOS ANGELES REQUESTED TO FURNISH PHOTOGRAPHS OF [REDACTED]
IMMEDIATELY IF AVAILABLE. SAN DIEGO INQUIRIES ARE CONTINUING.

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WASH 10 AND NYC 1 FROM LA ANGELES 25 10-10-AM

DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

MICKEY COHEN, ET AL, [REDACTED] VIKID. RE NEW YORK TEL NOVEMBER
TWENTYFOUR. SUGGEST NY OBTAIN ORIGINAL CHECK OF [REDACTED]
DATED NOVEMBER THIRTEEN AS EVIDENCE OF POSSIBLE ITSP VIOLATION.
KNOWN HANDWRITING SPECIMENS TO BE FORWARDED LAX AND TODAY.

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WASH 22 FROM LOS ANGELES

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8-24 PM

DIRECTOR AND SAC PORTLAND

URGENT

HICKEY COHEN, [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] DASH [REDACTED], VIKID. VICTIM

[REDACTED] WAS FLOWN BY CHARTERED PLANE FROM LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, TO LA IN EARLY MORNING HOURS NOVEMBER FOUR LAST ON ORDERS OF COHEN.

OTHER SUBJECTS PARTICIPATED IN LOCATING AND TRANSPORTING VICTIM, A BOOKMAKER WHO HAD APPARENTLY RUN OUT ON COHEN NOVEMBER ONE OWING SEVERAL THOUSAND DOLLARS. COHEN IS MAJOR LA HOODLUM AND OTHER SUBJECTS ARE PRIMARILY BOOKMAKERS AND PROFESSIONAL GAMBLERS. COHEN KNOWN TO HAVE OBTAINED FROM VICTIM TWENTY FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS OR MORE BETWEEN FOURTH AND TENTH WHEN [REDACTED] LEFT LA FOR LAS VEGAS. VICTIM'S WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN SINCE NOVEMBER FOURTEEN AND BUREAU DIRECTS THAT INVESTIGATION BE DIRECTED FIRST TO LOCATING AND INTERVIEWING HIM.

[REDACTED] ADDRESS BOOK INCLUDES NAME OF [REDACTED] OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NOW AT [REDACTED]

AND HAS BEEN ALERTED BY FAMILY TO EXPECT FBI VISIT. INTERVIEW [REDACTED] RE CONNECTION WITH [REDACTED] AND KNOWLEDGE OF [REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS. QUESTION HIM RE KNOWN ACQUAINTANCES OF [REDACTED] BOTH IN U.S AND [REDACTED] SUTEL LA AND BUREAU.

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PORTLAND HAS BEEN ADVISED SEP

LA 2 -22 HA LSP

1-7-50

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EX-114

cc: Mr. [REDACTED]

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 Ladd ☒
 Clegg ☒
 Glavin ☒
 Nichols ☒
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 Mohr ☐
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 Nease ☐
 Gandy ☐

[REDACTED]

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What about this? I have
 seen no word from our
 N.O. office in it.

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WASHINGTON CITY NEWS SERVICE

7-5908

DEC 6 1960

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI Attn.: FBI Laboratory

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles

SUBJECT: MICKEY COHEN, et al;
[REDACTED] - VICTIM

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Re New York tel to Director dated 11/24/50 and airtel to Director and New York dated 11/25/50.

Enclosed herewith are handwriting specimens of [REDACTED] and of subject [REDACTED] for comparison with the signature appearing on the check referred to in referenced New York teletype.

The Laboratory is requested to make handwriting comparisons between the known specimens and the questioned signature [REDACTED] and to return the enclosed documents to this office. Known specimens of the handwriting of [REDACTED] and of MICKEY COHEN will be obtained as soon as possible and forwarded to the Bureau for comparison with the questioned signature [REDACTED] as it appears as an endorsement on the \$1,000 check signed by [REDACTED] on November 13 last.

Encls. 5
AMSD - REGISTERED MAIL
FHT:CEA
7-361
cc: New York (AMSD)

HANDLED
BY [REDACTED]

G.L.R.-J

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

CC-150/

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

DECEMBER 4, 1950

Transmit the following message to:

SAC, LOS ANGELES

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MICKEY CONAN, ETAL, [REDACTED] VIKID. SUPPL PRESENT
STATUS AND FOLLOW WITH SUMMARY REPORT OF INVESTIGATION TO
DATE.

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FBI
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Office of the Attorney General

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: December 12, 1935

FROM : JAMES H. McINERNEY, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division

RE: Karpis

SUBJECT: Karpis, Alvin; Barker, Fred; et al.
Victim
Kidnaping, S. B. Calif.

FILE NO. 100-12-15

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We shall appreciate receiving copies of all investigative reports submitted to your Bureau in connection with the above-entitled matter.

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Assistant Attorney General
James M. McInerney
Director, FBI

December 14, 1950

NICKY CONNE, et al.
- VICTIM
KIDNAPING
INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION
OF STOLEN PROPERTY

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Pursuant to your request of December 5, 1950, your file 109-12-15, JMW:CAF, there is attached one copy each of the following reports:

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] Los Angeles,
November 28, 1950.

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Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] Philadelphia,
November 28, 1950.

Copies of additional reports will be furnished to you as they are received at the Bureau.

Attachments:

7-5908

cc - Los Angeles (7-381)

Three copies of reports should be furnished to the Bureau.

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[REDACTED] b7c

MICKEY COHEN, ET AL. [REDACTED] WIKED, ITSP. REBUTEL TODAY.
ON NOV. TWENTYNINE LAST FARRER [REDACTED] TESTIFIED BEFORE [REDACTED] LA
WITH AUSA PAUL FIVTINE ASKING QUESTIONS. ALTHOUGH USA DOES NOT
YET HAVE TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS, FIVTINE [REDACTED]
TESTIMONY WAS VAGUE AND TENDED TO MINIMIZE THE KIDNAPPING
VIOLATION. [REDACTED] DID TESTIFY, ACCORDING TO FIVTINE, THAT HE
FURNISHED NO ONE AUTHORITY TO SIGN OR ENDORSE ANYTHING IN HIS NAME
AND HAS GIVEN NO ONE IN LA POWER OF ATTORNEY. THESE QUESTIONS
WERE ASKED OF [REDACTED] IN RELATION TO POSSIBLE ITSP CASE RESULTING
FROM A PARTIALY [REDACTED] [REDACTED] NAME TO [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] PERSONAL CHECK OF NOVEMBER TWENTY LAST. SECOND
[REDACTED] ON NOV. TWENTY LAST. [REDACTED] CONSIDERING POSSIBILITY
OF ITSP CASE ASKING [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] [REDACTED] BEFORE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
ONE TWO DAY PERIOD BY SA-S THIS OFFICE AND SIXTY FIVE [REDACTED]
STATEMENT OUTLINING HIS ACTIVITIES THROUGH [REDACTED] NOVEMBER ONE
TO [REDACTED] LAST. IN STATEMENT, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] BY TELEPHONE
FROM SA TO LAS VEGAS ADVISED HIM THAT [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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MESSED UP UNQUOTE BECAUSE OF [REDACTED] DISAPPEARING AND MON COWEN
INSTRUCTED HIM TO RETURN TO LA BY AIRPLANE WHICH [REDACTED] WAS
CHARTERING. HE DESCRIBED [REDACTED] MEETING THEM AT LOCKHEED AIR
TERMINAL AND TAKING HIM TO [REDACTED] OFFICE RATHER THAN TO
[REDACTED] HOME AS [REDACTED] HAD REQUESTED. DESCRIBED WRITING LETTERS
TO [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] ALL OF NEW YORK,
ASKING FOR LOAN OF MONEY. HE STATED HE DID NOT TELL THEM WHY HE
NEEDED MONEY BUT MAINTAINED HE TURNED OVER TO COWEN AS A LOAN TWO
TWO ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR CHECKS RECEIVED. [REDACTED] ACKNOWLEDGED SENDING
TELEGRAMS ON NOVEMBER TEN TO [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] AT NEW YORK BUT
HE DID KNOWING OF ANY MONETARY RESULTS. IT IS NOTED AS RESULT OF NOV-
EMBER TEN TELEGRAM SECOND THOUSAND DOLLAR CHECK DID COME FROM [REDACTED]
FOR [REDACTED] ADDRESSED TO COWEN'S HOME. THIS CHECK CASHED OR DEPOSITED
AT COWEN'S BANK ON NOVEMBER FOURTEEN. [REDACTED] MADE NO
DISSEMINATION THAT CHECK IS FORGEY AND THIS APPEARS TO BE SO AS [REDACTED]
WAS NOT IN LA AFTER NOVEMBER TEN LAST UNTIL RETURNED WITH AN ORDER VERY
LATE NOVEMBER TWENTYSEVEN. ALSO FITTING BELIEVES [REDACTED] VERY
LATE AND POTENTIAL WITNESS IN KIDNAPPING MATTER FOR PURPOSES FOR
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SUCCESSFUL HIT CASE. KNOWN HANDWRITING SPECIMENS OF [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]
FORWARDED TO FBI LABORATORY FOR COMPARISON WITH ROUTE [REDACTED]
REVENUE REPORTMENT ON [REDACTED] NOVEMBER THIRTEEN CHECK.

CONTINUE KNOWN HANDWRITING SPECIMENS BEING OBTAINED THROUGH SUBPOENA OF BANK
LOCATIONS AND DATE OF TRANSFERS REMAINING TO BE AVAILABLE.
SUBPOENA BEING PREPARED.

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CC: Mr. Harbo
Mr. Rosen

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

DECEMBER 6, 1950

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Transmit the following message to:

SAC, LOS ANGELES

7-5908-58

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MICKEY CONNOR, ET AL. [REDACTED] VIOLA, ITSP. REURTEL DECEMBER FOUR. FOR YOUR GUIDANCE IN CONNECTION WITH ITSP INVESTIGATION IN THIS CASE, YOU ARE ADVISED THE CRIMINAL DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT HAS GIVEN AN OPINION IN THE PAST THAT THE INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF A VALID CHECK BEARING A POWER ENDORSEMENT IS NOT AS A MATTER OF LAW A VIOLATION OF ITSP STATUTE. SOME U.S. ATTORNEYS HAVE, HOWEVER, PROSECUTED CASES OF THIS TYPE. YOU SHOULD DISCUSS THIS DEPARTMENTAL HOLDING WITH THE U.S. ATTORNEY, LOS ANGELES AND BE GUIDED BY HIS OPINION AS TO WHETHER ITSP VIOLATION IS PRESENT IN THIS CASE AND THE EXTENT OF FURTHER INVESTIGATION DESIRED IN THIS CONNECTION.

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ORIGINAL - [REDACTED]

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REPORT
of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

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SAC, Los Angeles

December 5, 1950

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on December 4, 1950.

RECEIVED: 12/5/50
FBI - Los Angeles
EX-125

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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YOUR FILE NO. 100-10000
IN FILE NO. 100-10000
DATE 12-5-50

Los Angeles

Letter dated November 30, 1950

Re: [redacted]

- K1 Two pages dated November 25, 1950, two Western Union sheets and one envelope bearing the known handwriting of [redacted]
- K2 One Western Union sheet dated November 14, 1950, bearing the known handwriting of [redacted]

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RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:

It was concluded that the [redacted] endorsement on check Q1 was written by [redacted], whose known handwriting is designated above as K1. A definite conclusion was not reached as to whether or not [redacted] prepared the [redacted] endorsement on Q2 due to the presence of characteristics which cannot be explained on the basis of the available [redacted]. Several variations were noted between the genuine handwriting of [redacted] and the endorsement on the back of Q2.

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A definite conclusion was not reached as to whether or not [redacted] prepared the [redacted] endorsement on Q2 due to the lack of sufficient penmanship handwriting and the fact that the genuine signature of [redacted] is not sufficiently similar to the [redacted] endorsement on Q2 to [redacted] whether or not [redacted] has been able to imitate his handwriting.

The known handwriting of [redacted] is not sufficiently comparable with the [redacted] endorsement on Q1 and the [redacted] endorsement on Q2 for a definite opinion to be reached.

Enclosed with your report, specimens K1 and K2 are returned to your office. [redacted] specimens of [redacted] having been retained for [redacted] of the [redacted] files.

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WASH 17 NYC 4 FROM LOS ANGELES

6-00 PM

DIRECTOR AND SAC NEW YORK

DEFERRED

NICKY COHEN, ET AL. [REDACTED] VIKID, ITSP. RE NY LET TO FBI LAB
NOV. TWENTYSEVEN LAST. REFLET INDICATES [REDACTED] DESIRES RETURN
OF PERTINENT CHECKS. LAB REPORT DEC. TWO LAST REFLECTS HAVE BEEN
FORWARDED YOUR OFFICE. IN VIEW OF POSSIBLE PROSECUTION HERE OF COHEN
ET AL ON ITSP CHARGE, USA LA REQUESTS NY OFFICE ATTEMPT RETAIN POSSESSION
OF [REDACTED] CHECKS FOR SAFEKEEPING AND PROVIDE [REDACTED] WITH PHOTO-
GRAPHIC COPIES. IF HE NEEDS CHECKS AT ANY TIME FOR LEGAL PROCEEDINGS,
SHOULD BE ADVISED CAN GET THEM. USA WILL ISSUE SUBPOENA FOR CHECKS IF
[REDACTED] NOT AGREEABLE TO ABOVE BUT IN VIEW OF EXPENSE DESIRES EVERY
EFFORT BE MADE AVOID SUBPOENA. ALSO NY FORWARD LA PHOTOGRAPHIC COPIES
OF CHECKS AND BUREAU WREN REPORT AND SIGNED STATEMENTS MAY BE EXPECTED
HERE. PROSECUTIVE SUMMARY BEING PREPARED.

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MURKIN CASE, ET AL

THREE, FOUR. SUBJECT UNKNOWN FOUR.

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FROM: _____
SUBJECT: _____
DATE: _____
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Mr. Glavin	_____
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Mr. Rosen	_____
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Mr. Nease	_____

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MICKEY CONER, ET AL., [REDACTED] VIKID. ITSP. REBULET DEC. SIX
 AUSA PAUL FITTING UNABLE TODAY TO OFFER OPINION AS TO ITSP VIOLATION.
 DESIRES TO DISCUSS WITH USA TOLIN. LA WILL FURTHER DISCUSS WITH HIM
 AND SUTEL.

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HICKEY COHEN, [REDACTED]

VIKID. LAPD INTELLIGENCE

UNIT WHICH INVESTIGATES GANGSTERS AND RACKETEERS, ADVISED THAT ON NOV. FOUR LAST VICTIM [REDACTED] WAS TRANSPORTED BY CHARTERED PLANE FROM LAS VEGAS, NEVADA TO LA AGAINST HIS WILL AND AT DIRECTION OF HICKEY COHEN, NOTORIOUS LA HOODLUM. NO VIOLENCE KNOWN TO HAVE OCCURRED BUT VICTIM INFLUENCED TO COME BY INTIMIDATION. ON BUREAU'S INSTRUCTIONS FACTS PRESENTED TO USA ERNEST A. TOLIN WHO STATED THEY APPARENTLY CONSTITUTED A BONA FIDE VIOLATION ALTHOUGH HEAVY. IN VIEW OF COHEN'S REPUTATION, TOLIN REQUESTED THIS OFFICE DEVELOP FULL FACTS AFTER WHICH HE WILL RENDER PROSECUTIVE OPINION. BACKGROUND AS DEVELOPED SO FAR IS AS FOLLOWS. [REDACTED] OPERATED A SPORT EVENTS HANDBOOK IN [REDACTED] SUBURB OF LA, AND WAS COHEN'S [REDACTED] UNTIL OCTOBER TWENTYEIGHT LAST WHEN [REDACTED] SOME- NOT ABUSED COHEN'S CONFIDENCE IN HIM RESULTING IN MONETARY LOSS TO COHEN OF SEVERAL THOUSAND DOLLARS. SEVERAL WINNING BETTERS WERE NOT PAID BY [REDACTED] AND HE TOOK THE ONE SHEET WHEN HE DISAPPEARED ON ABOUT [REDACTED] COHEN LOCATED [REDACTED] THROUGH [REDACTED] CONTACTS.

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[REDACTED] LA AND LAS VEGAS GAMBLING FIGURE, WAS FIRST TO REPORT TO COHEN [REDACTED] PRESENCE IN LAS VEGAS WHERE HE WAS SAID TO BE GAMBLING AT THE FLAMINGO HOTEL. [REDACTED] COHEN'S LACK OF INITIATIVE TRIED TO PHONE [REDACTED] AT FLAMINGO BUT [REDACTED] WOULD NOT TALK TO HIM. [REDACTED] LEFT FLAMINGO IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER AROUSING TREMENDOUS EXCITEMENT ON PART OF COHEN. COHEN PHONED [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] AT LAS VEGAS, INSTRUCTING THEM TO FIND [REDACTED] COHEN GAVE AS HIS REASON THAT [REDACTED] WAS IN JAIL IN LA AND [REDACTED] IMMEDIATE PRESENCE HERE ESSENTIAL TO CLEAR [REDACTED] OF PHONEY CHECK CHARGE. COHEN'S STORY UNTRUE AS [REDACTED] WAS NOT IN JAIL. [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] SCoured LAS VEGAS, [REDACTED] FINALLY LOCATING [REDACTED] AT FIFTH RATE CHARLESTON HOTEL. [REDACTED] RELATED COHEN'S MESSAGE ADVISING [REDACTED] TO GO IMMEDIATELY TO LA BECAUSE HE [REDACTED] HAD SEEN THESE THINGS BEFORE AND HE KNEW BEST. [REDACTED] WAS FOR A CONSIDERABLE TIME PREVIOUS CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH COHEN IN GAMBLING AND STRONG ARM ACTIVITIES IN LA AND IS STILL ASSOCIATED, AT LEAST INDIRECTLY. [REDACTED] CHARTERED STINSON PLANE AND [REDACTED] DESERT SKYWAYS THROUGH [REDACTED], A WESTERN AIRLINES EMPLOYEE, LAS VEGAS. [REDACTED] ACCOMPANIED BY [REDACTED] FORMER CLEVELAND HOODLUM, WENT TO CHARLESTON HOTEL AT ABOUT THREE AM OF THE FOURTH, AROUND [REDACTED] THEY WERE OBSERVED ESCORTING [REDACTED] FROM HOTEL AND ENTIRE PARTY APPEARED HIGHLY EXCITED. [REDACTED] CALLED COHEN AND WAS GIVEN COHEN'S PHONEY STORY RE [REDACTED] ALSO TALKED TO COHEN [REDACTED] WHILE IN LAS VEGAS [REDACTED] GAVE

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NEGATIVE ANSWER. [REDACTED] WAS THEN ESCORTED TO LAS VEGAS AIRPORT
BY [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] IN [REDACTED] CAR. THEY MET [REDACTED] AND ALL
FOUR WAITED FOR [REDACTED] PLANE WHICH WAS SUPPOSED TO BE THERE AT
FOUR AM BUT WAS DELAYED BY MECHANICAL TROUBLE, ARRIVING AT SIX AM.

[REDACTED] REFUSED TO FLY, BUT [REDACTED] LAY DOWN IN REAR SEAT AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CONVERSATION EN ROUTE TO LA NOT KNOWN.

PLANE MET AT BURBANK AIRPORT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RETURNED IMMEDIATELY

WITH [REDACTED] TO LAS VEGAS. ALTHOUGH [REDACTED] HOME IS IN [REDACTED] WITHIN
WALKING DISTANCE OF AIRPORT, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] COHEN LATER THAT MORNING MET [REDACTED] AT

[REDACTED] ALSO THAT

MORNING [REDACTED] ACCOMPANIED BY COHEN WENT TO [REDACTED] BANK IN HOLLYWOOD
AND WITHDREW FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS WHICH HE TURNED OVER TO COHEN.

[REDACTED] ALSO WITH COHEN THROUGH AFTERNOON OF FOURTH, GOING TO HIS
JOB HOME IN EVENING. TAKEN BY [REDACTED] COHEN AND [REDACTED] IN CONTACT
WITH HIM LATER THAT NIGHT AND NEXT DAY AND ON MONDAY, NOV. SIX,

[REDACTED] SENT TELEGRAMS TO FRIENDS IN NEW YORK, NAMELY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FOR MANY YEARS HAS BEEN
ASSOCIATED IN FIGHT GAME [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SENT [REDACTED] ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR CHECK WHICH [REDACTED]
ENDORSED OVER TO COHEN. [REDACTED] TELEPHONED [REDACTED] LA FIGHT

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FIGURE, GUARANTEEING ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR LOAN TO [REDACTED] THEN b7C
TOOK HIS PERSONAL ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR CHECK TO [REDACTED] AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TWO DAYS LATER [REDACTED] CHECK IN REPAYMENT RECEIVED BY
[REDACTED] CHECK ENDORSED BY [REDACTED] AND COHEN [REDACTED] SENT NO
MONEY. ON THE TENTH EITHER [REDACTED] HIMSELF OR [REDACTED] SENT ADDITIONAL
TELEGRAMS REQUESTING MORE MONEY FROM [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] OVER [REDACTED]
SIGNATURE AND ASKING THAT THE MONEY BE SENT TO [REDACTED] IN CARE OF
COHEN. [REDACTED] RESPONDED ON ABOUT NOV. THIRTEEN WITH ONE THOUSAND
DOLLAR CHECK MADE OUT TO [REDACTED] THIS CHECK BEARS ENDORSEMENT OF [REDACTED]
AND COHEN AND WAS CASHED AT HOLLYWOOD STATE BANK L.A. FOR YOUR
CONFIDENTIAL INFO [REDACTED] CLAIMS [REDACTED] ENDORSEMENT APPEARS TO BE
FORGERY AND [REDACTED] WAS NOT IN LA ON NOV. FOURTEEN TO ENDORSE CHECK.
THIS FACT SHOULD NOT BE DISCLOSED TO [REDACTED] UNLESS
HE IS READILY COOPERATIVE. A POSSIBLE ITSP CASE MAY EVOLVE FROM
THIS TRANSACTION. [REDACTED] DID NOT RESPOND AND ON NOV. FOURTEEN
[REDACTED] SENT FOLLOW UP TELEGRAM TO [REDACTED] OVER [REDACTED] NAME.
LAPD INTERVIEWED [REDACTED] EARLY MORNING OF NOV. NINE AT WHICH TIME
[REDACTED] DENIED OWING COHEN MONEY BUT CLAIMED HAD GIVEN COHEN TWENTY-
FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS BECAUSE COHEN NEEDED IT AND QUOTE IS AN OLD FRIEND
UNQUOTE. [REDACTED] ADMITTED HE AND COHEN TALKED ABOUT MONEY [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] BUT THE POLICE FOUR HOUR INTERVIEW WITH [REDACTED] PRODUCED
MAINLY LIES. [REDACTED] BACKGROUND AS KNOWN SHOWS IS A PROCLIC BETTER AND
IS REGARDED AS A SUCKER BETTER. HE ALSO HAS OPERATED A HANDBOOK [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AND REPORTEDLY LEFT THERE TWO YEARS AGO OWING A CONSIDERABLE
AMOUNT OF MONEY [REDACTED] THIS MONEY NOT REPAYED. HIS WRONG
BETS HAVE CAUSED HIM MUCH FINANCIAL EMBARRASSMENT AND AS A RESULT

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HE HAS WELCHED BETS AND RUN OFF BEFORE. HE SOMETIMES REPAYS YEARS
LATER AND IS WELL ACCEPTED IN BETTING CIRCLES. [REDACTED] b7C

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] WAS A VERY WIDE ACQUAINTANCESHIP IN FIGHT CIRCLES
THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. [REDACTED] HERE WAS HANDLING A BOOK AND LAYING
OFF BETS AT LAS VEGAS THROUGH A GAMBLING SYNDICATE WHICH IS DOMINATED
BY COHEN. [REDACTED] WAS LOSING CONSISTENTLY FOR ABOUT TWO MONTHS PRIOR TO
HIS DISAPPEARANCE. CAUTION. [REDACTED] MAY HAVE SUICIDAL TENDENCIES.
THERE IS LITTLE DOUBT THAT [REDACTED] FEARS COHEN. IT SHOULD BE EXPECTED
THAT HE WILL TRY TO EXONERATE COHEN BECAUSE OF THIS FEAR OF
RETALIATION AND A POSSIBLE SENSE OF LOYALTY. [REDACTED] REALIZES COHEN
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REFERENCE:

Los Angeles letters to Bureau, New York and Salt Lake City dated 11-15-50 and 11-16-50.
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Bureau teletype to Salt Lake City dated 11-22-50.

FROM LOS ANGELES 11 55 AM

DIRECTOR URGENT

MICHAEL COHEN, WAS., ETAL, [REDACTED] VIK ID, ITSP. AUSA PAUL
FITTING IS PRESENTLY STUDYING THIS CASE AND EXPECTS TO RENDER OPINION
TOMORROW OR EARLY NEXT WEEK. NO GRAND JURY ACTION ON THIS MATTER
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REPORT MADE AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	DATE WHEN MADE 12-28-50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11-25-50	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]
TITLE MICHAEL COHEN, was., et al; [REDACTED], aka Eddie Torden - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING, INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED] voluntarily appeared at New Orleans office on 11-25-50, stated he had known MICHAEL COHEN for a number of years. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and had been friendly with him since.

[REDACTED] advised that he loaned COHEN \$2500 upon his return from Las Vegas to Los Angeles. [REDACTED] denies that he owed COHEN any money.

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DETAILS:

AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA:

[REDACTED] voluntarily appeared at the New Orleans office on November 25, 1950, and was interviewed by Special Agent [REDACTED] and the writer. He furnished the following information:

[REDACTED] stated that about November 1, 1950, he made a trip to Las Vegas, Nevada, from Los Angeles, California. After staying in Las Vegas at the White Hotel for a period of 3 or 4 days, he met [REDACTED], an old friend whom he had formerly known in Los Angeles. He stated that he also met [REDACTED] whom he had previously known. He stated that [REDACTED] had been reported as working in Los Angeles and [REDACTED] called MICHAEL COHEN from Las Vegas.

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SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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[REDACTED] stated that when he arrived at Los Angeles he immediately
 [REDACTED] stated that COHEN advised him that he was badly in need of
 money and he wanted to borrow some money from him. [REDACTED] stated that he
 then called [REDACTED] in New York City and asked [REDACTED] to send him
 a check for \$1,000. He stated that [REDACTED] sent this check to him as
 requested and he endorsed it over to COHEN. He stated that he also telephoned
 [REDACTED] New York City, and asked him to send a check for \$1,000. He stated
 that [REDACTED] told him to contact [REDACTED] in Los Angeles,
 and have [REDACTED] call him in New York. [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] did this and
 [REDACTED] requested [REDACTED] to give [REDACTED] a check for \$1,000. He said that [REDACTED]
 gave him this check for \$1,000 and that he also endorsed this check over to
 COHEN. In addition to this [REDACTED] loaned COHEN \$500 out
 of his own funds.

[REDACTED] further stated that he contacted [REDACTED] who told him

[REDACTED] volunteered information that he had been interviewed by the
 Los Angeles Police regarding COHEN's activities. [REDACTED] said that he again
 left Los Angeles about November 10, 1950, and returned to Las Vegas where he
 stayed until about November 16, 1950, when he boarded a bus and came to New
 Orleans, Louisiana. [REDACTED] stated that he came to New Orleans seeking a
 job. He said that he had been a [REDACTED] prior to leaving Los Angeles
 and that he had known COHEN, [REDACTED] for a number of years.

[REDACTED] stated that he first met RICHARD COHEN in New York when COHEN
 was [REDACTED]

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ADMINISTRATIVE

On November 25, 1950, this office received several telephone calls from local newspapers advising that according to wire dispatches from the West Coast relating to the Kerasover investigations, the statement appeared that the FBI was continuing its nation-wide search for [REDACTED] age 51, [REDACTED] friend of MICKEY COHEN, who had been missing from California since November 7, 1950, and that [REDACTED] was visiting in New Orleans. This office had no previous information concerning the matter. b7c

At 12:00 noon, November 25, 1950, [REDACTED] phoned SAC LOPES and stated that [REDACTED] was at that time in his office and he knew nothing regarding the FBI looking for him, that he had come to New Orleans the previous Tuesday from Las Vegas, Nevada, to contact his friend [REDACTED] regarding a job, after which, if no job was available, he planned to continue to New York City. [REDACTED] volunteered to bring [REDACTED] to this office stating [REDACTED] was willing to come.

SAC LOPES immediately telephoned SAC HOOD at Los Angeles, who confirmed the fact that his office was looking for [REDACTED] at the request of the United States Attorney in connection with a possible kidnapping violation. HOOD stated that [REDACTED] while operating a book in California, had apparently weighed on some basis to MICKEY COHEN and had departed for Las Vegas, Nevada; that COHEN's boys had located [REDACTED] in Las Vegas and had chartered a plane to return [REDACTED] to GAYEN in Los Angeles; that thereafter a check for \$1,000 from New York made out to [REDACTED] had been endorsed by him and subsequently endorsed by COHEN and cashed; that the United States Attorney felt that possibly [REDACTED] had been forced to return involuntarily to California from Nevada in violation of the kidnapping statute; and that possibly [REDACTED] endorsement on the \$1,000 check had been forged by COHEN and his associates. b7c

SAC HOOD later advised by telephone that the U. S. Attorney had issued a subpoena for [REDACTED] appearance before the Federal Grand Jury at Los Angeles at 2:00 P.M., Wednesday, November 29, 1950, and was immediately telegraphing the U. S. Marshal at New Orleans to handle. A subpoena was served upon [REDACTED] by the U. S. Marshal while he was in this office and funds were advanced by the Marshal for [REDACTED] return to California and a ticket was purchased for him by the Marshal on the Southern Pacific Sunset Limited departing from New Orleans at 12:30 A.M., November 26, 1950. Los Angeles and the Bureau were advised of this. b7c

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On December 1, 1950, [redacted] telephoned SAC LOPEZ and advised that he had arrived back in New Orleans by train from Los Angeles where he had appeared before the Federal Grand Jury. He stated that en route to Los Angeles he had been met by two Bureau agents prior to the train's arrival in Los Angeles and had taken their suggestion that he leave the train before arriving at the Los Angeles station. He further stated that Bureau agents in Los Angeles had suggested that upon his arrival back in New Orleans, he contact the New Orleans office and advise of his whereabouts so that in the event it became necessary to contact him in the future, he could be readily located. He said that he planned to reside at the [redacted]

On December 4, 1950, [redacted] telephoned SAC LOPEZ and advised that he was leaving New Orleans for Miami Beach, Florida, on December 5, 1950. He stated that his stay in Miami Beach would be indefinite but while there he could be located through [redacted]. [redacted] stated that upon his arrival in Miami Beach, he would contact the Miami office and confirm his presence in that city. Miami and Los Angeles were advised of this by New Orleans letter dated December 6, 1950.

The copy of this report is being furnished Miami for information. [redacted] is presently residing in that city.

REFERENCE

Los Angeles teletype to New Orleans dated 11-26-50.

Mr. James M. Helmersey
Assistant Attorney General
Director, FBI

January 12, 1951

NICKEY CORNW, ET AL
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Pursuant to your request of December 5, 1950, your
File 100-12-15 JMH:CAP, there is attached one copy each of
the following additional reports prepared in this case:

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] New Orleans,
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Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] Los
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MICHAEL COHEN, WAS. ET AL. [REDACTED] MEXICO. ITSD. MURKIN
WALTER PINE AND PAUL FITTING TODAY DEFERRED PROSECUTIVE OPINION
IN BOTH VIOLATIONS PENDING FURTHER EFFORTS TO DEVELOP CASE MORE
SOLIDLY THROUGH USE OF REPUTABLE WITNESSES ONLY. THEY TENTATIVELY
PLANNED TO PREDICATE KIDNAPPING CASE ON THE FIVE HUNDRED DOLLAR
CHECK WRITTEN BY [REDACTED] WHICH CHECK [REDACTED] BANK REFUSED TO
HONOR WHEN IT WAS PRESENTED [REDACTED] HAS STATED
THAT HE TORE THIS CHECK UP, BUT [REDACTED] HAS SAID THAT [REDACTED] HAD
IT UPON [REDACTED] RETURN TO LA. FROM LAST. HEAD DESIRE TO
PROSECUTE THIS CASE WITHOUT USE OF THE [REDACTED] AS WITNESS
BECAUSE THEY BELIEVE [REDACTED] WAS A GOVERNMENT WITNESS WOULD
HINDER SUCCESSFUL PROSECUTION MOST DIFFICULT JUDGING FROM HIS RESPONSE
RECORD FEDERAL GRAND JURY. THEY TENTATIVELY PLAN TO ASK FOR
INDICTMENT ON COHEN. [REDACTED] THEY DESIRE TO BUILD THE
CASE WITHOUT USE OF THE POLICE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS. THEY DESIRE
HANDWRITING ANALYSIS TO PROVE IF POSSIBLE [REDACTED] KNOWN SIGNATURES
ON PERTINENT CHECK ENDORSEMENTS AND ON HANDWRITING TO PROVE COHEN'S

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OTHER THAN [REDACTED] THE [REDACTED] ENDORSEMENT ON [REDACTED] NOV. THIS-
[REDACTED] LAST CHECK. [REDACTED] BEING EMPLOYED FOR GRANT [REDACTED]
WEDNESDAY, DEC. TWENTY NEXT PRIMARILY TO TRY AND GET HIS ADMITTANCE
THAT HE TURNED OVER TO COHEN OR [REDACTED] THE FIVE HUNDRED DOLLAR CHECK
WHICH [REDACTED] BANK REFUSED TO HONOR. EFFORTS TO DEVELOP ADDITIONAL
WITNESSES TO PROVE CONSPIRACY AND OVERT ACTS BEING HANDLED IN COMPLIANCE
WITH GSA REQUEST. BINNS AND FITTING ARE TAKING CAUTIOUS [REDACTED] APPROACH

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RE: [REDACTED] VIET, AND SUBMIT REPORT

DECEMBER 1956, LAST, 9875 SOUTH ON PAUL

[REDACTED] CLAIMING THAT ON OR ABOUT NOVEMBER 1956

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] IN A BLIND

WHEEL OF PLANE TO PAY OFF GAMBLING DEBT OF [REDACTED] STATED

THAT AFTER THE BANK REFUSED TO HONOR THE CHECK HE FORGOT IT UP. THE REPORT

STATED THAT THE ABOVE STATEMENTS OF [REDACTED] ARE IN VARIANCE WITH

STORY IN THAT [REDACTED] CLAIMED THAT HE LATER REGAINED POSSESSION

OF THE CHECK AND FORGOT IT TO THE BANK. THE SIGNED

STATEMENT OF [REDACTED] AS SET FORTH ON PAGES SEVEN THROUGH TWELVE OF THE

ABOVE REPORT DOES NOT SUBSTANTIATE THE CONCLUSION IN THE REPORT THAT

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NINETEEN AND TWENTY ONE LAST INDICATE THAT THE USA TENTATIVELY PLANS

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IDENTIFICATION RECORDS

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DESCRIPTION

MICHAEL CORNWELL, was.

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was because of gambling debt trouble.

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[redacted] all go to the telephone but when [redacted] identified himself, [redacted] cut off the connection and within minutes retired from the casino to his hotel room. When COHEN was told of [redacted] call he became very annoyed with [redacted] and very excited about getting [redacted] controlled. COHEN, from about midnight until nearly 1:00 a.m. on November 4, 1950, was in almost constant telephone contact with various individuals in Las Vegas. He telephonically contacted [redacted] who until recent months, was closely associated with COHEN in Los Angeles, but who now is a card forger in Las Vegas. COHEN admonished [redacted] to find [redacted] and he also called [redacted] instructing him to find [redacted] and to get [redacted] to telephone COHEN. He was afraid that [redacted] telephone call to [redacted] had alarmed [redacted] so that he was in hiding or had fled. COHEN falsely advised [redacted] that subject [redacted] was in jail as a result of a check [redacted] had furnished to [redacted] several days before. As time wore on without [redacted] being found, COHEN'S agitation mounted and he even telephonically urged a Los Angeles policeman, [redacted] the Hollywood Station Detectives, to try, through police sources, to make contact with [redacted] and get him back to Los Angeles. b7C

To this officer, COHEN tried to put over his story about [redacted] being in jail. Through this same Sergeant [redacted] COHEN had previously attempted to trace [redacted] his first attempt being made on 8:30 p.m., October 31, 1950. During that first contact with [redacted], COHEN did not exhibit any concern about [redacted] health or safety. In his later calls [redacted] however, he did talk of [redacted] having suicidal tendencies, and the officers in Las Vegas were influenced to search for [redacted] by implication that [redacted] might commit suicide. Additional influence of course was exerted through his assertion that [redacted] was in jail. b7C

In pressuring [redacted] and [redacted] at Las Vegas to find [redacted], COHEN had subject [redacted] telephone [redacted] during very early morning hours on November 4, 1950. [redacted] told [redacted] that [redacted] should be found because he might commit suicide and he failed to state that COHEN had had his call and left the impression that he, himself, was concerned about [redacted] safety. Following COHEN'S lead [redacted] also informed [redacted] that [redacted] was in jail and that [redacted] presence in Los Angeles was required to clear [redacted] To [redacted] COHEN mentioned that [redacted] owed him \$100. b7C

[redacted] who is a sort of errand boy for COHEN, called [redacted] on COHEN'S instructions to arrange for transporting [redacted] to Las Vegas when he was found. COHEN also talked to subject [redacted] instructing [redacted] to go arrange matters at home that if [redacted] tried to call him, [redacted] would ostensibly not be at home. This was all part of COHEN'S plan to entice [redacted] back to Los Angeles under the false impression he was needed to get [redacted] out of jail. b7C

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COHEN further instructed [redacted] to keep hunting for [redacted] until he was found. b7c

[redacted] at about 2:00 a.m., November 4, 1950, accompanied by subject [redacted], a minor hoodlum character from [redacted] at the Commodore Hotel in Las Vegas. They aroused [redacted] from his bed and influenced [redacted] to dress and go to the hotel lobby and talk to COHEN on the telephone. [redacted] then told that COHEN wanted him to go immediately to Los Angeles, demanded stating that he intended to return to Los Angeles when he was ready to go but that he failed to see why he should be rushed. He did partially dress, however, and accompanied [redacted] and [redacted] to the hotel lobby and from there [redacted] called COHEN. COHEN then talked to [redacted] informing him that [redacted] was in trouble and that [redacted] was needed in Los Angeles to clear [redacted] COHEN made it appear to [redacted] that [redacted] troubles were caused by a check, which [redacted] had given to [redacted] before [redacted] left Los Angeles. [redacted] actually had furnished a hand made check to [redacted] in the amount of \$500 for the purpose of paying off some of the lesser gambling losses [redacted] had incurred on October 28, 1950. The bank had refused to honor the check because it was not on a regular check blank and it was unsigned, and the bank didn't believe that the signature on the check was actually [redacted]. This, however, had not caused any trouble for [redacted] and he definitely was not in jail. COHEN then [redacted]

[redacted] COHEN then instructed [redacted] to charter an airplane and he informed [redacted] he would meet the airplane at the Lockheed Air Terminal in Burbank. [redacted] did arrange to charter an airplane through [redacted] an employee of Western Air Lines. [redacted] arranged for an immediate flight by [redacted] Desert Shipyards, Boulder City, Nevada, and when these arrangements were perfected, [redacted] reported to COHEN that [redacted] would arrive in Burbank at about 6:00 a.m. that morning. COHEN then instructed [redacted] to meet the airplane and to take [redacted] to [redacted] where COHEN would meet them. b7c

[redacted] had some mechanical difficulty [redacted] route from Boulder City to Las Vegas airport and so did not actually pick up [redacted] until about 6:00 a.m. [redacted] declined to fly and so he remained [redacted] from the airport. [redacted] laid on the back seat of the airplane. [redacted] accompanied him to Burbank, at about 8:30 a.m. [redacted] met them. [redacted]

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and [redacted] returned immediately with the pilot to Las Vegas. [redacted] then took [redacted] directly to [redacted]. This maneuver was over [redacted] protest who asked to be first taken to his home near the Lockheed Air Terminal so he could rest a while before meeting COHEN. At the hotel [redacted] was left with [redacted] while [redacted] went to the lobby and called COHEN, who arrived at the hotel as fast as he could drive there.

[redacted] left [redacted] and COHEN together in his office, where they then discussed money matters. [redacted] after he and COHEN left [redacted] was kept with COHEN and [redacted] until the late afternoon of November 4, 1950, even though he, several times, expressed his desire to go to his home and rest. He withdrew \$500 of the approximate \$500 remaining in his checking account turning it over to COHEN who took him to his bank and then took him to the [redacted] Tailor Shop in Beverly Hills, California. [redacted] finally took [redacted] home at approximately 4:00 p.m. In the meantime COHEN had influenced [redacted] to raise more money for COHEN through [redacted] New York friends.

[redacted] wrote letters to [redacted] and [redacted] asking all of them to loan him money. In his letters he failed to mention why he wanted the money, only stating that he was "in a little jam." He asked [redacted] for \$1000, [redacted] for \$2000 and [redacted] for \$1000, requesting that the money be sent to his home in [redacted]. [redacted] was visited at his home that night by COHEN and [redacted] and COHEN asked if he had written the letters.

[redacted] on November 5, 1950, sent a \$1000 check to [redacted] and [redacted] advanced \$1000 to [redacted] on November 7, 1950 after [redacted] showed up his letter with a telephone call requesting [redacted] to loan him \$2500 and giving no further explanation. [redacted] arranged by telephone for [redacted] to call [redacted], a mutual friend in Los Angeles, authorizing [redacted] to give [redacted] a \$1000 check and guaranteeing to repay it. [redacted] call [redacted] and [redacted] furnished his personal check for \$1000. Both of these checks were turned over to [redacted] and both checks were taken to COHEN'S bank.

[redacted] remained at his [redacted] home until November 10, 1950, when he received \$2500 from another friend so he could leave the Los Angeles area. [redacted] took him to the depot and at the Western Union counter there [redacted] wrote out two telegrams, one to [redacted] and the other to [redacted] requesting an additional thousand dollars from each and

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asking that it be sent to JOHN'S home. [REDACTED] then boarded a train for Las Vegas where he remained until November 14, 1950 when by bus he journeyed to New Orleans, Louisiana. [REDACTED] as a result of [REDACTED] telegram, did send a \$1000 check payable to [REDACTED] and mailed to COHEN'S home. [REDACTED] did not send any money and so on November 14, 1950 [REDACTED] sent a follow-up telegram to him over [REDACTED] name. On November 14, 1950 [REDACTED] additional \$1000 check was falsely endorsed by [REDACTED] using the name of [REDACTED] and was then endorsed by COHEN and cashed at his bank. A total of \$3500 was in the above described fashion obtained by COHEN from [REDACTED]

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STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS

The Statute of Limitations will bar prosecution in this case after November 1, 1953.

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On November 13, 1950 the facts of this case as then known were presented to United States Attorney ERNEST A. TOLIN, who withheld prosecutive opinion pending the development of full facts. Mr. TOLIN requested that the matter be investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation since all information then available had been developed independent of the Bureau by the Los Angeles Police Department.

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On November 25, 1950 United States Attorney TOLIN caused to be issued a subpoena directed to [REDACTED] ordering his appearance before the Federal Grand Jury, Los Angeles on November 29, 1950.

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[REDACTED]

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WITNESSES

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] can testify as to the following information
which he furnished in a signed statement on November 28, 1950:

Los Angeles, California
November 28, 1950

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"I, the undersigned, [REDACTED] make the following
voluntary statement to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
whom I understand to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau
of Investigation. I understand that it is not necessary for
me to make any statement of any kind, and I make this statement
for the purpose of recording the information related therein,
knowing that the information contained in this statement may
be used in a court of law.

[REDACTED]

Shortly thereafter I went to my hotel room and retired for the
night. I was sound asleep when [REDACTED]

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I recall that the 7th was election day and the banks were not open for business that day.

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"I have read the foregoing statement consisting of four typewritten pages and this page. The statement is true and correct to the best of my recollection and belief, and in witness of its truthfulness I am signing the statement.

"/s/ [REDACTED] b7c

Witnesses:

[REDACTED]
Special Agent, F.B.I., Los Angeles
[REDACTED] Special Agent, FBI, Los Angeles, Calif."

Special Agents [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Los Angeles, California

These agents can testify that in addition to the above information which was reduced to statement form signed by [REDACTED] he verbally advised [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED]
can testify further that [REDACTED]
that under oath [REDACTED]
will further testify that [REDACTED]

These agents stated he would perjure himself rather than [REDACTED] b7c

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These agents can also testify that on November 22, 1950 they interviewed subject MICHAEL COHEN in the Los Angeles Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, at which time COHEN acknowledged he has known [redacted] for at least 23 years, and that he last saw him during the early part of November, 1950. They will state that COHEN denied [redacted] is or was a bookmaker but that he bets "on every possible thing there is" and is "a sucker" gambler. They will state that COHEN admitted that he and [redacted] tried to find [redacted] for two or three days after he disappeared and that COHEN called "all over the country" trying to locate him. They will state that COHEN denied seeing [redacted] shortly after [redacted] in Las Vegas but that it was a "fancy" [redacted] [redacted]. They will state that COHEN denied knowing why "everyone" as he put it, was worrying about [redacted] but that he said "they thought he was killed or something." They can state that COHEN claimed the police department was looking for [redacted] and that he got that information from agents of some forty policemen in [redacted] claimed he had talked to.

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They will say that COHEN denied that he brought or caused [redacted] to be brought back from Las Vegas and that he denied knowing who, if anyone, came from Las Vegas with him. They will state that COHEN denied knowing what time of day [redacted] arrived at Los Angeles and that he could only guess the day of [redacted] arrival to be November 4, 1950. Also COHEN claimed to have first seen [redacted] on that day at about 11:00 a.m. in downtown Los Angeles and that thereafter he drove [redacted] to the Mayan Hotel, both as a result of a telephone call from [redacted]. COHEN claimed that he and [redacted] talked for 20 or 25 minutes before going to the Mayan Hotel and that because he knew the police were looking for [redacted] he tried to find some officers to turn [redacted] over to. He said that on about 8th and Olive Streets he did stop a police car which was following them and that he told an officer [redacted] at that time, that he had [redacted] with him and that he understood the police department was looking for [redacted]. COHEN claimed that officer [redacted] at that time said the police were looking for [redacted]. He said he and [redacted] then at [redacted] suggestion, went to see [redacted] at the Mayan Hotel after they had talked to officer [redacted]. He said that he and [redacted] both talked to [redacted] for a few minutes and then [redacted] started out toward the [redacted] Tailor Shop. He advised they met [redacted] at the tail shop and that on route [redacted] told him that he was going to commit suicide. Also while en route he said [redacted] told him he was broke when he returned from Las Vegas and COHEN denied that [redacted] ever gave him any money. COHEN said that there was a discussion of money at which time [redacted] declined COHEN's offer of money, stating "No, I don't care about the bank. I wrote some checks against it, but I think it should be cleared." COHEN said he asked [redacted] if he wanted to join COHEN and [redacted]

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money until the following Monday and that en route to the tailor shop they stopped near ██████ bank in Hollywood where ██████ obtained and gave to COHEN \$400. COHEN claimed he returned ██████ \$400 to him the following Monday and he stated that ██████ offered to get him more money. He said ██████ gave him a thousand dollars which ██████ got from ██████. He said ██████ got another thousand dollars from ██████ through ██████. COHEN said this was in the form of a check, which ██████ turned over to COHEN to cash for him. COHEN continued that they went to the Hollywood State Bank, that both of them entered the bank, where COHEN cashed the check and turned over the \$1000 to ██████. As they were leaving the bank, COHEN denied receiving any additional money from ██████ and he said ██████ left for Los Angeles immediately later by train. He said ██████ took him to the train and that ██████ couldn't possibly have been broke because "he had a thousand dollars from this transaction from ██████ who had given him previously, and he was only going to a fight and had come, and he couldn't have lost that much."

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Regarding the money ██████ sent ██████ on November 10, 1950, COHEN acknowledged he knew ██████ had sent wires to ██████ and ██████ requesting money from them and he knew that ██████ sent the two telegrams which ██████ wrote but. COHEN stated that ██████ had volunteered to try and get more money from ██████ and ██████ for COHEN and that ██████ had said "if you can pay them back before me you can pay them back, and if I can pay them back before you I will pay them back." COHEN claimed to be ██████'s sole true friend during the past ten or twelve months. He also claimed that he has less than \$50 a week income.

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Regarding ██████ these agents can testify that ██████ on November 22, 1950, stated he has known ██████ only since ██████ came to Los Angeles about a year ago although he had seen ██████ previously in New York. He said he was introduced to ██████ by MICHAEL COHEN in Los Angeles, and that he was probably the last person to see ██████ in Los Angeles. ██████ left the city. He advised that ██████ wrote a couple of telegrams at the Union Station, Los Angeles, sending them to ██████ and ██████ and that ██████ told him he was sending for some money to MIKE COHEN. Agents can further testify that ██████ claimed to have written another note in instructed ██████ that if ██████ didn't send money in response to the telegram ██████ should send the following wire as prepared by ██████ to asking ██████ for the money. This is contrary to information set out by ██████ in the above statement in that ██████ stated that ██████ was writing out the two telegrams at the Union Station, but that he did not furnish a note or prepare any other telegram for ██████ to send anyone as a later follow-up.)

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[redacted] continued that for several days thereafter he asked COHEN if any money had come from [redacted] and since it hadn't he, [redacted] look [redacted] into the Western Union Office at 534 So. Spring Street, Los Angeles, where he handed it to a female clerk, who copied it off on a telegram blank and sent the message to [redacted] asking for money to be sent to [redacted] in care of COHEN. [redacted] stated he paid for this telegram. He said further that [redacted] told him not to mention this follow-up telegram to COHEN but merely to send it if [redacted] did not send the money to COHEN. (The apparent falsity of this statement is borne out by the fact that in [redacted] original telegram to [redacted], he used a street address in New York, spelled [redacted] names correctly as [redacted] and signed [redacted] address in the telegram [redacted] dated on November 14, 1950 [redacted] name was misspelled as [redacted] the address was given as simply Madison Square Gardens, and the signature [redacted] was used.)

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The agents can further testify that [redacted] said he called from his home to Las Vegas, Nevada on the night of November 3, 1950, asking for [redacted] at the [redacted] where he said [redacted] was working as a dealer. [redacted] said he told [redacted] that [redacted] was at the Flamingo Hotel and wouldn't answer the telephone. He said he asked [redacted] to go over and see what was wrong with [redacted] and that [redacted] said he couldn't get away but would check into it after he finished work. [redacted] said he believes he told COHEN about this call. He also said he had previously telephoned the Flamingo. But [redacted] although the operator put [redacted] on the telephone, [redacted] would not talk to him.

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[redacted] also said that he received a telephone call at his residence at about 4:00 a.m. on November 4, 1950 and that the caller stated that someone was arriving at the Burbank Airport at 5:30 a.m. [redacted] said this call was either from [redacted] or HENRY COHEN but that because of sleep at that time he cannot say who called him. [redacted] said the caller asked him to meet the airplane and that he therefore got out of bed and drove from his home at [redacted] to the Lockheed Air Terminal in Burbank, where he waited until about 8:00 a.m. when [redacted] arrived accompanied by [redacted] [redacted] continued that [redacted] said, "There's [redacted] and that he, [redacted], had to get back to work. [redacted] said he did not see the airplane nor the pilot but that he surmised [redacted] and [redacted] arrived in a chartered airplane according to their comments. He stated [redacted] asked him if he had any money and [redacted]

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He gave this check to [redacted] who gave it to [redacted]

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The agents will further testify that [redacted] described [redacted] as being depressed at that time. [redacted] said he didn't know why [redacted] had chartered an airplane because he realized [redacted] could have come by commercial airplane that day at a greatly reduced cost. He said [redacted] refused his attempt and asked him to take him to [redacted] the Moven Hotel, Los Angeles. (It is noted that this is contrary to [redacted] statement in which he stated he asked to be taken to his home.) [redacted] continued that he drove [redacted] to [redacted] in Los Angeles where he left [redacted]. He said he observed that [redacted] had a band-aid on one wrist and that [redacted] mentioned he had been thinking of committing suicide.

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[redacted] also said that [redacted] claimed that [redacted] owed him \$400 and that [redacted] had given [redacted] a check previously in that amount to pay this debt. [redacted] said he met [redacted] and they, in advance, went to [redacted] bank to get the money. He described the check as being made out by hand on a blank piece of paper, not a regular blank form as provided by banks. He said the bank would not cash it as they claimed there was something wrong with the check. [redacted] said as he recalled it the paper had no date on it and that this is what caused the bank to not honor it.

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These witnesses can testify that on the afternoon of November 4, 1950, according to [redacted] he was at the [redacted] shop in [redacted]. They can state that [redacted] is a partner of COMEN in this tailor shop and that he saw [redacted] at the shop about 3:00 or 4:00 p.m. on that day. He said that between 4:00 and 5:00 p.m. that day he drove [redacted] to his home. He said that on or at the following Monday he drove [redacted] to [redacted] bank, where [redacted] cashed a check and paid him back [redacted]. He said he thinks that on this same day COMEN was with them and that [redacted] gave COMEN \$400 on that occasion.

Witnesses will also testify that [redacted] admitted that COMEN had to see if he could get in touch with [redacted] and that he called [redacted] on his own initiative in an effort to see if [redacted] was in Los Angeles.

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Special Agents [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED] can testify that on November 17, 1950 [REDACTED] told them that he has known RICHARD COHEN by reputation for many years and that in September, 1949 he returned after a prolonged absence from Los Angeles and has associated with COHEN since. He said he has no financial involvement and he denied receiving any money or remuneration from COHEN. He admitted having in COHEN'S company daily but disclaimed being a henchman or bodyguard for COHEN. He said that [REDACTED] is a social friend of COHEN'S and it is through this friendship that he became acquainted with [REDACTED]. During the past year he said he has seen [REDACTED] frequently at COHEN'S residence and at various places in Hollywood and that he has been in [REDACTED] residence at [REDACTED] on at least two occasions. He admitted only indirectly knowing that [REDACTED] was a gambling establishment and he refused to furnish any information regarding COHEN'S connection with this operation.

Regarding [REDACTED] disappearance toward the end of October, 1950 [REDACTED] stated that he has occasion to call [REDACTED] frequently, but that on Monday, October 31, 1950, he was advised by "some people" on Vine Street, Hollywood, that [REDACTED] had not shown up for a meeting with "a person" in Hollywood and that [REDACTED] denied remembering who gave him this information. He said he called [REDACTED] home but received no answer and so he then got in touch with COHEN furnishing him this information. He said COHEN appeared anxious to locate [REDACTED] and at this interview denied COHEN instructed him to find [REDACTED]. These witnesses will continue that [REDACTED] said during the next several days a number of people talked to him about [REDACTED] disappearance, among them [REDACTED] who was very upset in his language but stated that [REDACTED] was not a "commitment" such as [REDACTED] was and that [REDACTED] was disposed of and this was the reason for everyone's interest in locating him. He admitted he received information from several parties that [REDACTED] was "quite a bit of money". He said that on either Monday or Tuesday, within the week of November 1, 1950, he and COHEN went to [REDACTED] house, but failed to find [REDACTED]. He said that on Friday, November 3, 1950, he received information that [REDACTED] had been seen at the Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. He said he had a conversation with [REDACTED] COHEN, whom COHEN said, "They're waiting for you at the Flamingo. Put a call in up there." Agents will testify that [REDACTED] was not contacted this statement saying he could not remember the identity of the person who told him [REDACTED] was in Las Vegas. He said, however, that from his experience

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He called the Flamingo Hotel, ask for [redacted] He said that apparently [redacted] was at a dice table and was called to the telephone but that there was no conversation as [redacted] would not talk to him. [redacted] said he finally broke the connection and called JHE. He said that then, also from his residence telephone, he called the [redacted] Hotel and talked to [redacted] when he asked to go to the Flamingo Hotel and contact [redacted] He said that [redacted] told him he was leaving, out might do it later. Agents will verify that [redacted] claims he made these telephone calls on his own initiative because he was interested in verifying [redacted] presence in Las Vegas.

In this interview as in the statement interview as indicated above, [redacted] said that at about 4:00 a.m. on the morning of November 4, 1950 he was awakened by a telephone call but he did not know whether the call was long distance or of local origin. He said the caller stated [redacted] will be coming in at the Burbank Airport at 5:30 a.m. next day. At this interview, [redacted] although refusing to say who called, did not deny, when specifically asked, that it was MICHAEL COHEN. [redacted] said he arose and drove to the Burbank Airport where he waited until about 5:00 a.m. when he said [redacted] brought [redacted] into the airport terminal building and told him they had come in by a small chartered airplane, which was two hours late. [redacted] In the later interview, [redacted] related driving from the airport to [redacted] office in the Meyer Hotel because he said [redacted] wanted to go there. [redacted] said that en route [redacted] complained about having to come back to Los Angeles and complained about being tired and sleepy and the fact that he had had to leave his hotel in Las Vegas where he had the bill paid for two days in advance.

[redacted] said he stayed in [redacted] room at the hotel for only a very few minutes and then left [redacted] there with [redacted]

Generally the balance of [redacted] conversation was in secret with [redacted] out before, he stated that he did consider it extremely odd that [redacted] was in contact with [redacted] in connection with [redacted]

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This witness was told that the information obtained is of a confidential nature that the police department will not reveal and that [redacted] is in event of [redacted] in this matter.

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This informant has reported that during the very early morning hours of November 4, 1950, subject COHEN was in almost constant telephone contact with various individuals in Las Vegas, Nevada and Los Angeles, California. This informant can state that at 12:20 a.m. COHEN received a telephone call from [redacted] and that almost immediately after receiving this call COHEN telephoned [redacted] at Las Vegas and excitedly spoke to him about getting in touch with "some guy" at the Flamingo Hotel. COHEN instructed [redacted] to telephone [redacted] that [redacted] was [redacted] and to get this fellow. COHEN then talked on the telephone to [redacted] instructing him to send someone whose identity is unknown to the informant, to get in touch with [redacted] at the Flamingo. COHEN told [redacted] that [redacted] was staying at the Flamingo and he instructed that he expected [redacted] to leave immediately. [redacted] then of course COHEN was again talking to [redacted] again very excitedly. He asked if [redacted] had sent someone to the Flamingo. COHEN then instructed [redacted] to go to the Flamingo and tell him that [redacted] was not at the Flamingo. COHEN said [redacted] was there and that [redacted] had just been with him. He instructed [redacted] to go to the Flamingo and to get [redacted] on the telephone, and to tell [redacted] that he was driving COHEN crazy. Also COHEN said if [redacted] had any trouble he should contact [redacted] again.

Informant can further state that within minutes COHEN was again calling Las Vegas where he asked for [redacted] at the El Rancho Vegas. COHEN instructed the operator at the El Rancho that if [redacted] wanted to know who was calling he should be informed that it was [redacted] at (Extrock) 59217. (This telephone is one of COHEN's residence telephones).

COHEN then talked to [redacted] at the El Rancho Vegas and learned from him that [redacted] was in the hospital. He instructed [redacted] to contact [redacted] because he said he had to talk to [redacted]. He told [redacted] to inform [redacted] that he must talk to him because "they are seriously in jail on account of him." During some of these conversations, COHEN was talking on the phone to [redacted] and the informant believes was at that time in COHEN'S home. COHEN was provoked with [redacted] because [redacted] had been instructed to go to Las Vegas and bring back [redacted] but instead had made a telephone call to Las Vegas. Informant can testify that COHEN attributed the difficulty in finding [redacted] to this telephone call by [redacted] and he kept complaining about it.

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This witness can testify that at 1:00 a.m. COHEN received a call from Las Vegas and the informant believes the call was from [redacted] who had apparently seen [redacted] because COHEN asked, "what did he say" and "did he have much money on him?" COHEN then instructed the caller that [redacted] was in jail and that if COHEN could not reach [redacted] he could not get [redacted] out. He said he was worried that possibly [redacted] had been killed. The caller apparently indicated he could not get [redacted] on the telephone and COHEN [redacted] with a confident commitment that [redacted] "has screamed."

COHEN then again talked to [redacted] instructing him to "find that guy." COHEN was very forceful with [redacted] COHEN then talked to [redacted] who could not identify [redacted] claiming that no airplanes had been in Las Vegas at that time in the morning. He urged the unknown party to try to call [redacted] and to tell him that [redacted] was in jail. COHEN also said "well hell, tell [redacted] to put his pants on and go get him. I got me some big trouble here."

Within minutes, COHEN was again trying to call [redacted] at the El Cortez Hotel and at the Apache Hotel. Witness can testify that COHEN was very agitated and upset.

Subject COHEN then made a local call believed by the informant to be to Sergeant [redacted] Hallway Division, Los Angeles Police Department. COHEN stated that [redacted] was in Las Vegas and he instructed [redacted] to "get a hold of [redacted] right away." COHEN indicated he thought [redacted] could stop [redacted] from trying to get out of Las Vegas and mentioned that he thought [redacted] knew he knew that [redacted] was in Las Vegas.

Witness can testify that another telephone call was received by COHEN at about 1:20 a.m. from [redacted] and that COHEN informed [redacted] was liable to take a bus or flight out of Las Vegas but was over to another bus and credit suicide. On the telephone call COHEN talked again to [redacted] to the effect that [redacted] was trying to commit suicide and that [redacted] had a suicidal mind. COHEN urged [redacted] to hurry and have "him" make a long distance call and "to look some serious and try to fly him back again." COHEN then contacted [redacted] by telephone and stated he had told "them" that [redacted] was inched and that he had told [redacted] to get [redacted] to Los Angeles. He said "the guy is coming out of town." He instructed [redacted] to get in touch with [redacted] by telephone and tell him that [redacted] was in jail, and that they had to have [redacted] get him out. He also said he thought he should forget about his \$4000, indicating that the important thing was to get [redacted] out over the idea that the \$4000 could wait until [redacted] was out of jail.

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COHEN then telephoned [redacted], whom he instructed to call [redacted] and get [redacted] car fixed up by calling [redacted] at Las Vegas 197 W. He learned from [redacted] that there was no airplane leaving Las Vegas at that time of day and he instructed [redacted] to find out if there were any buses leaving there. He also instructed [redacted] that he would have to get [redacted] and [redacted] at Las Vegas; that he thought [redacted] (whose true name is [redacted]) had gone to Las Vegas with [redacted] within minutes, the witness will state, COHEN received another telephone call from Las Vegas (probably from [redacted]) and that COHEN said too much time was being wasted, that [redacted] was at the Flamingo Hotel 25 minutes before. COHEN then again called [redacted] asking if he had [redacted] any luck in reaching [redacted] evidently not because COHEN asked "did you tell him [redacted] is pinched?" COHEN then again called [redacted] telling him "get your pants on and check the hotels. It's a bum beef." He informed [redacted] - was going crazy and that with all the heat COHEN was apt to get in trouble himself. [redacted] then again told [redacted] asking for [redacted] telephone number. He then called [redacted] at Gladstone 1249, instructing him to arrange things in such a way that if [redacted] tried to call him [redacted] could ostensibly not be at home. He also asked [redacted] where he thought [redacted] might be found in Las Vegas and he repeated [redacted] suggestions of the El Rey, the El Cajon and the Sal Sabor. COHEN immediately followed up on [redacted] suggestions by making calls to these places asking for [redacted] and [redacted].

Before the above call to [redacted], COHEN had answered a collect call from [redacted] at Las Vegas. He informed [redacted] that [redacted] was pinched on account of [redacted] when COHEN said could not disappear out of the clear sky. He told [redacted] they think he got [redacted] pinched." He also told [redacted] that he had to get hold of [redacted] because there was much more to it than [redacted] opinion. He said "you can't go to sleep until you get him" and he said that [redacted] would go to Las Vegas in the morning. He told [redacted] that [redacted] uses motels or cheaper hotels and he reiterated "you don't go to sleep until you find him." COHEN was still very agitated and depressive.

At about 2:50 a.m. COHEN tried to reach [redacted] at the Flamingo Hotel. He got [redacted] on the phone and asked him if [redacted] was with [redacted] informed COHEN they had finally found [redacted] at where [redacted] was staying and then named the Charleston Hotel. This witness is not clear as to [redacted] the last call was made but can state that COHEN

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immediately made another call informing the party that "they" had found where [redacted] was staying and instructed the party to determine if [redacted] was registered under his real name there. Witness can make no sense as saying, "Geez, I hope he didn't get away. Geez boy, if he had had [redacted], you know what I mean. He went to move pretty fast now, G.K."

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An incoming telephone call to COHEN at about 3:00 a.m. was from [redacted]. COHEN said "you wrote a check and when [redacted] tried to cash it, they throw him in the can." He said "you put everybody in a sweat. They think you're dead." He then said, "let me speak to [redacted] and to [redacted]" he said, "listen, get him in the car and drive him down here. Trouble at Hollywood police station." There was additional conversation which this witness can not recall.

COHEN then telephoned Sergeant [redacted] and [redacted] were asking him to telephone the Charleston hotel at Las Vegas and to tell [redacted] "to get down here." [redacted] was further urged to "put on the pressure," and to call COHEN back if [redacted] agreed to come voluntarily. COHEN then briefed [redacted] on a story that he should tell [redacted] and this story, according to this witness, was that there was no complaint filed against [redacted], but that the bank would not cash [redacted] check. [redacted] was instructed to identify himself to [redacted] and to advise [redacted] to come in right away so that "they won't have to come for you." COHEN said to [redacted] "what has he got to be scared about?" [redacted] apparently changed COHEN's mind then because COHEN decided to take care of the thing himself.

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COHEN then advised someone else at Las Vegas or possibly [redacted] at Los Angeles, that they could then call off the hunt because [redacted] was bringing [redacted] to Los Angeles. He then telephoned [redacted] at about 3:20 a.m., instructing [redacted] to leave right away and to see if he could charter an airplane. He told [redacted] he would meet them at Burbank. He also told [redacted] that [redacted] is "crazy" and indicated [redacted] was with [redacted]

Almost immediately thereafter COHEN tried to call [redacted]. He learned that [redacted] had already left the hotel so he then tried to call [redacted] at the Las Vegas Airport. The witness can testify that about fifteen minutes later [redacted] again called COHEN and COHEN said to him, "let me ask you one question — the check — is it a story or what is it? It was a good check. All right, that's perfect then. G.K. All right. I'll see you when you come in then. All right." (Witness is not sure whether the latter part of the above quoted conversation was to [redacted] or [redacted])

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Witness will continue that COHEN then made a local call to [redacted] calling him that [redacted] was coming in and that COHEN had a couple of "ideas" with [redacted]. He said he would call [redacted] in the morning and pick him up, and that [redacted] would [redacted] in order to talk to [redacted] under any [redacted] circumstances than in the company of COHEN. [redacted]

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Shortly after 4:00 a.m. [redacted] called COHEN stating that [redacted] in between 6:15 and 6:30 that morning. COHEN then called [redacted] informing him that [redacted] and [redacted] would be at the Burbank Airport between 6:15 and 6:30 a.m. COHEN then said that he would not come alone, "but when we'll be over there and grab him." He said he needed to be there personally. He then changed his mind, instructing [redacted] to go to the airport, get [redacted], have breakfast, call COHEN and meet in [redacted] hotel. He indicated some misgivings about this plan because of the Los Angeles police surveillance on him, but he indicated he would shake off the surveillance and would meet [redacted] at [redacted] place. "Then I'll make my move then." He concluded his instructions to [redacted] saying, "anyway, don't forget, [redacted] is supposed to be in the Hollywood Station, see. [redacted] is pinched, see?"

Captain [redacted] is reporting COHEN'S reputation which makes it possible for him to obtain results by implicit intimidation from some people, will, in the event of trial, be able to produce police officers and police records which will tend to show that others have been pressured or coerced into performing acts against their will. Captain [redacted] has furnished an example of COHEN'S tactics and can produce witnesses to prove that when bail bonds were being raised for some of his henchmen, notably [redacted] and [redacted] several persons of dubious reputation were approached in COHEN'S behalf and requested to offer their real estate as security. Some of these have refused, when asked their reasoning in this matter, that they "didn't want to get anybody mad" at them. Captain [redacted] will comply with any requests from the United States Attorney in reference to possible witnesses to testify about this line.

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This witness has submitted an official report to the Police Department and will testify that on October 31, 1950, at about 8:30 a.m., [REDACTED] telephoned him [REDACTED]

Witness will testify that through official channels he passed the request on to the Police Department's Airport Detail, and the police check failed to show that [REDACTED] had taken an airliner to New York or clipper ship to the Philippines. He will state that the Pan-American records were checked because an informant advised the police that [REDACTED] had probably gone to the Philippine Islands.

He will state further that [REDACTED] was suspected of being a bookmaker, operating in [REDACTED] and recently of [REDACTED] and that as such he was being investigated.

The witness will state that on November 1, 1950, at about 1:30 p.m., he was telephoned at his home by subject COHEN and that he informed COHEN that [REDACTED] was a bookmaker, but COHEN denied this and claimed that he and [REDACTED] COHEN said [REDACTED] was now [REDACTED] and had been in Los Angeles for about [REDACTED] years, arriving here from [REDACTED] COHEN said he had seen [REDACTED] last at about 11:00 a.m., October 30, 1950, and he was unable to understand [REDACTED] sudden disappearance.

Sgt. [REDACTED] will testify that he next heard from COHEN on this matter at about 2:00 a.m. on November 4, 1950, when COHEN telephoned him. He will state that COHEN seemed alarmed and indicated that they had located [REDACTED] in a Las Vegas, Nevada, hotel. Witness will say that at this point in the conversation he heard, through the telephone, another telephone ringing and that [REDACTED]

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Will say he told CONZ he would try to reach Sgt. [REDACTED] and relay the message. [REDACTED]

Witness will continue that about 3:00 a.m. [REDACTED]

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These witnesses can testify that on November 18, 1950, subject [REDACTED] informed them that he has known [REDACTED] for more than [REDACTED] years and that the acquaintanceship was primarily in connection with the fight game. They will say that [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] first came to Los Angeles about two years ago, visited for a while, and then went back to New York. He returned to Los Angeles about a year or more ago. Failed to make connections on the business deal he came here about, and then stayed on, living at various locations in Hollywood. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] has been a constant bettor on practically all sporting events, including football, baseball and prize fights. [REDACTED] said that through the last three-month period, he understood [REDACTED] has been bookmaking, mostly on baseball and football. He said that [REDACTED] in Los Angeles, was very friendly with [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] MICKEY COHEN and [REDACTED] The witnesses will say that [REDACTED] stated that habitually he and [REDACTED] after which [REDACTED] would go to the Ocean Park Arena for the fights.

The witnesses will state that [REDACTED] said that on October 30, 1950, he was telephoned by [REDACTED] who asked if he had seen [REDACTED] [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] contrary to his usual practice, failed to show up that day, [REDACTED] and that [REDACTED] thereafter called him several times through out the following day. He said MICKEY COHEN called him on about October 31, 1950, or November 1, 1950, asking if he had heard from [REDACTED] [REDACTED] also indicated that the word had gotten around that [REDACTED] had lost several thousand dollars on the Sunday, October 29, football game, and that he had not paid off as he should have.

Witnesses will continue that [REDACTED] said that on Friday night, November 3, 1950, [REDACTED] met him in front of the Hollywood Legion Stadium and said that he knew positively that [REDACTED] was in Las Vegas and that he had been seen there. [REDACTED] said that after the fight show at the Legion stadium, he called [REDACTED] in Las Vegas, from his home, asking if [REDACTED] was in Las Vegas. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] was there. [REDACTED] said his call to [REDACTED] was made at midnight or later and that sometime during that night, possibly two or three hours later, [REDACTED] called him back, saying they had located [REDACTED] and that he was coming back to Los Angeles, arriving in the morning. [REDACTED] stated that the next call he received was on the morning of November 4, from subject COHEN, who said [REDACTED] was in town and would be over to see [REDACTED] b7c

Witnesses will continue that [REDACTED] said that a short time later [REDACTED] arrived with [REDACTED] and that he saw them [REDACTED] in the Mayan Hotel. [REDACTED] said he had asked [REDACTED] why he had disappeared and informed [REDACTED] that he had caused a great deal of worry to everybody. He said [REDACTED] told him he came back when informed that [REDACTED] was in trouble. [REDACTED] was being either questioned by the police or was under arrest. He said he had been told that [REDACTED] was probably the key to the whole situation. He said that both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] made telephone calls [REDACTED] then went out for a short time, returned and made more telephone calls. [REDACTED] said that during this time [REDACTED] entered, and to the best of his recollection the three of them left together, thirty or forty minutes later.

The witnesses will continue that [REDACTED] disclaimed personal knowledge that MICKEY COHEN was [REDACTED] on the morning of the 4th, and that he claimed to have been absent from the hotel for almost an hour so that if COHEN were there, it was probable, during that period of his absence, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and COHEN and he were together in [REDACTED] on the morning of November 4, 1950.) [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] b7c

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were in and around [redacted] hotel from 12:00 a.m. until about 1:00 p.m., November 4, 1950. (This is incorrect since both CORAN and [redacted] admit going to [redacted] bank before 12 o'clock noon, after leaving the Mayan Hotel.)

Witnesses can state that [redacted] said [redacted] next contacted him on the morning of November 7, 1950, asking if [redacted] had \$1,000 in cash. He said [redacted] explained he had called New York and had asked [redacted] to send him money and that he was trying to borrow \$1,000 in anticipation of [redacted] loan. [redacted] said he declined because he didn't have that much money and couldn't get it since the banks were closed on Election Day. He said later in the day [redacted] appeared at the Mayan Hotel and informed him that he had arranged for that money in another way. [redacted] said he did not again see [redacted] after 5 o'clock, November 7, 1950.

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It. [redacted]
Sgt. [redacted]
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These witnesses can testify that on November 6, 1950, subject [redacted] better known as [redacted] advised them that he had known [redacted] for a number of years in the fight game and that [redacted] said he knew [redacted] had been making book [redacted] and that he had gone overboard "for about three or four thousand dollars on October 28, 1950". He said he knew [redacted] had been missing since about that date, and he admitted making a couple of calls to Las Vegas to try and get [redacted] to come back here. He related how [redacted] and [redacted] had been [redacted] at the Mayan Hotel on Saturday morning, November 4, and he said [redacted] told him at that time that he had gone to Las Vegas to try and recuperate from his financial losses. [redacted] said that [redacted] had come from New York to Los Angeles about a year ago, at which time he had some \$15,000, which he had lost through betting more than he was booking. [redacted] said he thought [redacted] owed about \$4,000, but the only person he knew to be a creditor of [redacted] was one [redacted].

These witnesses can state that [redacted] related that [redacted] had asked [redacted] for a thousand dollar loan on Tuesday, November 7, but since he had no cash and the banks were closed, [redacted] said he knew of no trouble involving [redacted].

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Relative to information furnished by subject [redacted]

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commonly known as [REDACTED] these witnesses can testify that on November 20, 1950, [REDACTED] furnished them a signed statement in which he related that he has known [REDACTED] since about [REDACTED] when they met in connection with the prize fight business in New York. [REDACTED] said that [REDACTED] have been good friends since that time and that during the past four or five months they were extremely close to one another in Los Angeles. They will state that [REDACTED] said by "close" he meant that they went to the fights, he drove [REDACTED] around in his car, [REDACTED] They will say he stated that by reason of his close association, he knew that [REDACTED] was taking baseball and football bets and that although he did not use the word, he indicated [REDACTED] was a bookmaker. He said that since the football season opened this year, [REDACTED] began taking football bets quite heavily, to the extent of several thousand dollars' worth of bets for each Saturday game. He said that to his knowledge, [REDACTED] had two agents, one known to him only as [REDACTED] and the other as [REDACTED] [REDACTED] said that during the past few weeks, [REDACTED] lost six or seven thousand dollars, and [REDACTED] enumerated four winning bettors who he said [REDACTED] owes a total of \$3735.00. b7c

Witnesses will continue that [REDACTED] stated that on Saturday night, October 28, he saw [REDACTED] who was very disgusted and depressed over his gambling debts. He said [REDACTED] spoke of the necessity of his finding some money and starting all over again. He said that he saw [REDACTED] again the next day, at which time [REDACTED] was still depressed and worried, and that although he looked for him for the next several days, he failed to find him in [REDACTED] usual haunts. b7c

[REDACTED] related that [REDACTED] is a good friend of MICKEY COHEN. He said he knows of no business transactions between [REDACTED] and COHEN, although they were together socially on numerous occasions. He said when [REDACTED] was missing, COHEN was very worried about him. He related that shortly after [REDACTED] disappearance, he received a telephone call from [REDACTED] whom he described as a friend of COHEN, and [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] wanted to see him. He said that shortly thereafter, COHEN and [REDACTED] appeared at [REDACTED] Restaurant in Hollywood, in COHEN's Cadillac, and they asked him where he thought [REDACTED] would be. [REDACTED] said he told COHEN he had no idea where to find [REDACTED] He said that thereafter, until November 3, 1950, there was little mention made to him by anyone in connection with the whereabouts of [REDACTED] except for a few casual questions from mutual friends.

Witnesses will continue that [REDACTED] said that during the evening of November 3, he saw [REDACTED] at the Hollywood Legion Stadium fights and that later he went to [REDACTED] office, where he was informed that [REDACTED] was in Las Vegas. [REDACTED] then called [REDACTED] at Las Vegas, and was informed that [REDACTED] had been shooting craps for about five hours at some Las Vegas casino. [REDACTED] denied any further information or b7c

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activity regarding [redacted] during the evening of November 3 and early morning of November 4, 1950. He said the next connection he had with the matter was when he called [redacted] Saturday morning and was informed that [redacted] was back in town. (This is contrary to testimony available from the Los Angeles Police Department Confidential Informant, as set out above, it being noted that that witness can testify to the effect that COHEN arranged with [redacted] during the very early morning hours of November 4 that [redacted] would be unavailable in the event of a telephone call from [redacted].) b7C

These witnesses will state that [redacted] advised his next contact with [redacted] was during the evening of November 4, when COHEN and [redacted]

"What have you been doing? You look pretty cut." To which [redacted] replied, "I'm tired, two days in Vegas will knock anybody out."

[redacted] stayed with [redacted] for several minutes and then going back to the car COHEN said "What do you think of the matter with the guy?" [redacted] related seeing [redacted] the following night and the following Monday night, November 6, and said that is the last time he had seen [redacted].

[redacted] said that [redacted] called him from Las Vegas some days later, asking [redacted] to try and raise \$200 for him so he could go home to New York.

[redacted] He said [redacted] furnished his address in Las Vegas as [redacted] but he would try and help [redacted]. He then visited [redacted] a friend who he said has an interest in the Desert Inn at Las Vegas. [redacted] agreed to help [redacted] out and telephoned an associate at the Desert Inn to contact [redacted] and give him \$200. [redacted] said he then sent a Western Union message writing "Desert Inn will contact you regarding the money you need." [redacted] Good luck [redacted]

Witnesses will also state that [redacted] related that prior to leaving for Las Vegas, on or about November 1, 1950, [redacted] gave him a \$500 check written on a blank piece of paper. He said the check was made payable to cash, was signed [redacted] and his account at the Security First National Bank, Highland and Hollywood Branch. He said when [redacted] gave him the check, it was with the understanding that he would cash it and pay off two small gambling debts of [redacted]. [redacted] said that the bank, however, would not honor the check, so he tore it up. b7C

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[redacted] knows subject COHEN more than through reputation and casual acquaintanceship. He denied knowing of any business relationship between COHEN and [redacted]. [redacted] admitted that for several years prior to two years ago, he was a bookmaker himself but that he went broke. He said that during the past year he has had no legitimate source of income and has been making his living only by what he takes from bets and the small remuneration he received from [redacted]. He disclaimed receiving any money or business from COHEN.

Regarding information received from [redacted], these witnesses can testify that [redacted] on November 20, 1950, advised them that through his interest in the prize fight business, he has known [redacted] for many years, and likewise he has known and has been very friendly with [redacted] who he described as a big-time bookmaker with lots of money until a few years ago. [redacted] said that recently [redacted] has been an agent for [redacted] and through this association [redacted] became close to RICHARD COHEN within the past several weeks. [redacted] said he has known RICHARD COHEN since COHEN "was a punk kid" and knows that COHEN used to be a bookmaker but has not been one for the past several years. [redacted] further advised that during the [redacted] time he was engaged in the bookmaking business at [redacted].

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[redacted] he was aware that [redacted] was standing a book in [redacted]. He said he has no direct knowledge but that he assumes from his knowledge of the bookmaking set-up in Los Angeles County that the way had been paved in Burbank [redacted] by RICHARD COHEN. [redacted] explained that COHEN, by reputation, has "a fix" in Burbank, and so is in a position to "okay" any bookmaker who operates in that area. [redacted] explained that it follows the bookmaker would be required to give COHEN a percentage of his profits, or, in simple words, COHEN would have "a piece" of any book operating in that area. [redacted] denied that he had turned over any of his customers to [redacted] at the time of [redacted] move to Las Vegas.

The witnesses can testify that [redacted] still has not been seen [redacted] at the Flamingo Casino on Thursday, November 2. [redacted] said [redacted] had been in Friday, November 3, when he returned to the Flamingo from his [redacted]. He walked through the Flamingo Casino and saw [redacted] at the floor table. He said he was in the casino again about five hours later and [redacted] was still there. On that occasion, [redacted] said he talked with [redacted] who was in a room with three or four other men, all talking shop about the fight game. [redacted] said he went to his suite to retire at about midnight, but that [redacted] stayed in the casino. Within a short time, he received a telephone call from [redacted] in Los Angeles, who told him that RICHARD COHEN wanted to talk to him. He said that he then talked to COHEN, who asked about [redacted]. He said, thinking that [redacted] was still in the Flamingo Casino, he had the call transferred to [redacted].

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to [redacted] who was also there. He said he found out later that [redacted] had received the transferred call but that [redacted] had then left the Flamingo. He said that thirty minutes later he received another call from COHEN who informed him that he had to locate [redacted] because [redacted] was in jail on account of a bad \$1500 check received from [redacted]. COHEN said only [redacted] could get [redacted] out of jail. [redacted] continued that COHEN obtained disappearance from Los Angeles was embarrassing to COHEN because he was being held responsible for the disappearance. COHEN also indicated that he was afraid that [redacted] might have committed suicide. [redacted] claimed that he refused to help COHEN and hung up the telephone. He denied making any further contacts with anyone in Las Vegas to help COHEN locate [redacted]. He said he saw [redacted] the following day at Las Vegas and that [redacted] was "boofing" about getting involved and having to do COHEN's work for him. He said [redacted] stated he wished COHEN would let him alone, that he had a good job and he wanted to keep it in order to make a legitimate living for his family. b7c

Witnesses can state that [redacted] said he came to Los Angeles on November 7, in connection with [redacted] and he has not seen nor heard anything about [redacted] since he saw him on November 3, 1950.

The witnesses can state that [redacted] speculated that the reason COHEN would be so anxious to have [redacted] back in Los Angeles was that apparently [redacted] football bookmaking was heavy and COHEN, having a piece of it, needed [redacted] back in Los Angeles in person to straighten the matter out. [redacted] stated further that even though COHEN had a piece of [redacted] book, the gambling debts incurred by [redacted] would be between [redacted] and his customers and would not be the responsibility of COHEN, whose only interest would be to obtain the percentage of the bookmaking action due him.

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This witness can testify that [redacted] informed him that subject COHEN, during the very early morning hours of November 4, 1950, telephoned him from Los Angeles, asking assistance in returning [redacted] to Los Angeles, because [redacted] was in jail and because [redacted] had left a suicide note. [redacted] stated that COHEN related [redacted] was believed by the Los Angeles Police Department to have been murdered [redacted] and that [redacted] was needed in Los Angeles to clear [redacted] and that [redacted]

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[REDACTED] said that COHEN called him from Los Angeles about 11:00 a.m., November 18, 1950, asking what was going on and why the police and Federal officers were interested in the incident involving [REDACTED] return to Los Angeles. [REDACTED] said he asked COHEN the same question.

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This witness will further testify that [REDACTED] claimed to have last seen [REDACTED] on November 11, 1950, at the Desert Inn Hotel, Las Vegas. He said [REDACTED] at that time told him that he had come to Las Vegas from Los Angeles by sleeper train and had been unsuccessfully trying to find a room. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] indicated he had been contacted by the Los Angeles Police Department while in company with GLEN, riding in COHEN's automobile, and that he had been interviewed by the police for several hours.

According to [REDACTED] claimed [REDACTED] apparently misused that check, failing to make proper payoffs, which caused COHEN to desire [REDACTED] return to Los Angeles to straighten the matter out.

Lt. [REDACTED]
Sgt. [REDACTED]
Intelligence Section
Los Angeles Police Department

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These witnesses can testify regarding their conversations with [REDACTED] on November 7, 1950, at the El Rancho Vegas Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada. They will state that [REDACTED] said he was telephonically contacted at about 2:00 a.m. November 4, 1950, by MICKEY COHEN from Los Angeles, and that COHEN said he wanted [REDACTED] to find [REDACTED]. He said COHEN told him that [REDACTED] was in trouble and [REDACTED] was the only one who could save [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] said he found [REDACTED] called COHEN back and let COHEN talk to [REDACTED] on the telephone. He said he then talked to COHEN, who said he wanted [REDACTED] to get in his car and "bring [REDACTED] back to Los Angeles." [REDACTED] said he told COHEN he couldn't do that because he had to work.

[REDACTED] said he also received calls from [REDACTED] in Los Angeles and [REDACTED] of Las Vegas. [REDACTED] said everybody was very excited about getting [REDACTED] back to Los Angeles. He said that he doesn't work for COHEN, but that when COHEN asks him to do a favor he can't refuse.

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Witnesses can testify [redacted] said he [redacted]

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[redacted] and that COHEN was supposed to send him remuneration. He said he made no threats to [redacted] and used no force and that [redacted] went back of his own free will. [redacted] said the [redacted] sent him to [redacted] hotel and to the Las Vegas airport.

These witnesses can testify that at the time of their interview with [redacted] in Las Vegas, they advised [redacted] that he had been fooled by COHEN and that COHEN's story to [redacted] regarding the necessity of [redacted] presence in Los Angeles was obviously false since courts are not open on Saturdays. Therefore, COHEN's statement that [redacted] was needed on Saturday, November 4, 1950, because [redacted] was obviously false.

The officers can continue that they told [redacted] they believed [redacted] had been kidnapped and that he had been a part of the plot. [redacted] vehemently disclaimed such intent on his part and blasphemed COHEN for involving him.

Regarding [redacted] contact with [redacted] at the Charleston Hotel, about 2:00 a.m., November 4, 1950, these officers can testify that on November 6, 1950, [redacted] informed them that [redacted] awakened him and told him COHEN wanted to see him. They will say that [redacted] said he demurred [redacted]

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[redacted] Las Vegas can testify that at about [redacted] on [redacted] she was [redacted] in the lobby of the Charleston Hotel [redacted] She first noticed [redacted] and [redacted] when they appeared together in the hotel lobby. She has identified photographs of [redacted] and [redacted] She will testify that she saw no force used but that she "knew something was wrong" because all three of the men appeared to be quite excited and [redacted] appeared to be hurriedly dressed, even to the extent that his trousers were unbuttoned. She will say that she got the impression that there was something like an automobile accident that [redacted] was being hurried away to. She will state that the men made several telephone calls from the telephone in the lobby, and that they all then went out to a black Buick convertible car, but that she called [redacted] back

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into the lobby to receive a call on the hotel telephone. She will state that during this call she overheard [redacted] say that they were going to fly by chartered airplane to Burbank and would have to arrange for someone to meet them there.

[redacted]
c/o Western Airlines Co.
Las Vegas, Nevada

This witness can testify that [redacted]

[redacted] arranged to charter an airplane from Desert Skyways. He can testify that this charter flight was scheduled to leave Las Vegas for Burbank, California, at about 4:00 a.m.

[redacted] can testify that the airplane was delayed enroute from Boulder City to Las Vegas.

[redacted] He will state that [redacted] and [redacted] entered the airplane and [redacted] He will state that the airplane then took off.

This witness will testify that at about 4:00 a.m., on November 4, 1960, he received a telephone call from [redacted] Swift Air, Inc., Las Vegas, who said he had received a telephone call from [redacted] an employee of Western Airlines in Las Vegas, and that [redacted] had a charter flight for Los Angeles. He will say [redacted] left Boulder City airport but encountered some mechanical difficulty [redacted] and was so delayed reaching Las Vegas airport until about 6:00 a.m.

[redacted] He will say [redacted] gave their names [redacted] He will say that [redacted] who he will recognize, did all the talking, and that [redacted] entered the airplane and lay down in the rear seat prior to the takeoff. He will say that they left Las Vegas airport about 6:10 a.m., arriving in the Lockheed Air Terminal, Burbank, California, at 9:00 a.m. He will say that both [redacted] and [redacted] left the airplane together, returning alone in about twenty minutes.

He will identify [redacted] airplane as a Stinson, Model 105, 4-passenger, No. 4681A. He will say that after passing up [redacted] returned to Las Vegas. This witness will further testify that during the flight to Burbank,

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there was no conversation [redacted] and that [redacted] declined during the entire period on the [redacted] [redacted].

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This witness can testify as to the apparent financial status of [redacted] following his return to Los Angeles from Las Vegas, November 4, 1950. He can testify that [redacted] request he loaned [redacted] \$250.00 in cash on either November 9 or 10, 1950. [redacted] said he was without funds and wanted to go to Las Vegas. He can testify that [redacted] indicated he was through with bookmaking in Los Angeles and hoped to get a new start in Las Vegas, through friends there.

[redacted]

This witness can testify as to [redacted] apparently poor financial condition following his return from Las Vegas on November 4. He can state that on November 6, 1950, at the Ocean Park Arena, he loaned [redacted] \$200.00 cash to pay off some bets and that he saw [redacted] give \$150.00 of this money to some unknown person that night. [redacted] can state that [redacted] had been losing heavily as a bookmaker and that he told [redacted] he owed money in New York to unnamed persons.

[redacted]

This witness can testify that he has been a [redacted] friend of [redacted] for the past [redacted] years. He will state that on the morning of [redacted] November 2 or 3, 1950, at 9:00 a.m., he received a telephone call from [redacted] inquiring as to the whereabouts of [redacted]. [redacted] stated that he had received a telephone call from a girl named [redacted] who said she had reason to believe that something had happened to [redacted]. [redacted] told [redacted] that [redacted] said [redacted] had escorted her to the Los Angeles Airport a few days previously and that the following day she had received a telephone call in New York City from California, inquiring as to [redacted] whereabouts.

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The witness can state that about thirty minutes after his conversation with [redacted] a woman identifying herself as [redacted] telephoned him. She said she was a friend of [redacted] and was living in [redacted] looking for a job.

She said that [redacted] and often talked of committing suicide and that [redacted] who himself, and others were worried about him. She advised [redacted] that she was stopping at the Belvedere Hotel, New York City, and she asked that he contact her if he heard from [redacted] b7c

Witness can state that on that same afternoon of November 2 or 3, [redacted] Los Angeles, called him from Los Angeles, inquiring as to [redacted] whereabouts. [redacted] told [redacted] he had not heard from [redacted] and he asked if [redacted] was in gambling trouble. The witness will quote [redacted] as saying, "Yes, in a way, but nothing that could not be settled easily."

Witness will continue that [redacted] stated he saw [redacted] the day before out that [redacted] had disappeared, leaving his clothes and everything. Witness will say [redacted] stated that [redacted] often had said he would commit suicide and that [redacted] thought he might do that.

The witness will state that two days later, on November 3 or 4, 1950, [redacted] who identified herself as [redacted] telephoned him from [redacted], New York, inquiring as to [redacted] whereabouts and stated she had heard he was missing. [redacted] can quote her as saying, "The silly kid; I hope nothing is wrong."

[redacted] can further testify that on November 5, he received a letter at the office of [redacted] from [redacted]. This letter was date lined Burbank, California, and [redacted] wrote that he was in "a little jam" and said he was writing [redacted] and [redacted] asking for help. [redacted] letter asked [redacted] for \$1,000.00, and [redacted] wrote that he was asking [redacted] for \$2,000.00 and [redacted] for \$3,000.00. He requested that the money be sent to his Burbank address. The witness will continue [redacted] sent a check to [redacted] in the amount of \$1,000.00, drawn on [redacted] account, Manufacturers Trust Company, New York City, check number 11255.

[redacted] will continue that [redacted] received a wire from [redacted] the original of this Western Union message, dated November 10, 1950, at Los Angeles, is available and can be recognized as to the content by this witness. The witness will state that [redacted] but that as a result of the telegram he forwarded a second \$1,000.00 check, this check being drawn on his personal account at the Manufacturers Trust Company, New York City, check number 7360. This check he sent in care of M. COHEN, at the Los Angeles address furnished in [redacted] telegram.

This witness can introduce his [redacted] checks as above, which each carry endorsements as [redacted] and second endorsements of MICHAEL COHEN.

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This witness can testify along general lines as set out above for [redacted] and he will identify himself as [redacted]

This witness will testify that he received a telephone call at his office on November 7, 1950, at which time [redacted] suggested [redacted] agreed to loan [redacted] \$1,000.00, and [redacted] then [redacted] to advance the money so that he could receive it immediately.

Witness will testify that [redacted] telephoned back later on November 7, 1950, stating that [redacted] did not have \$1,000.00, and suggesting [redacted] as a person who could advance the money. He will testify that at [redacted] request he telephoned [redacted] then sending [redacted] check in the amount of \$1,000.00 to [redacted]. He can testify that later in the week, on about November 8 or 9, 1950, he received a telegram from [redacted] in which telegram [redacted] again requested [redacted] to loan him the [redacted] in which will say that he did not answer this wire.

Witness will continue that on November 14, 1950, he received another telegram, which he can produce, and which reads, "Am waiting for your letter. Just have what I asked for. Trial starts Thursday. Will not ask you again ever until I am paid up with you. Send care of M. Cohen, 513 Moreno Avenue, West Los Angeles. Thanks. (signed) [redacted]"

Witness will state that he answered [redacted], care of M. COHEN, 513 Moreno Avenue, West Los Angeles, via telegram of November 15 last, stating, "Impossible to do anything now as I explained on phone."

[redacted]

This witness, who furnishes her occupation as [redacted] but who is an [redacted] can testify that she departed from Los Angeles on October 27, 1950, at which time [redacted]. She can state that [redacted] at that time saw [redacted] and [redacted] who he described as close friends and who he asked her to contact with his regards.

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Witness will state that two or three days after arriving in New York City, she received a telephone call at the Belvedere Hotel from MICKEY COHEN, who inquired if she knew the whereabouts of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was missing. She can testify that COHEN saw [REDACTED] and upset and that she on that occasion informed him she saw [REDACTED]. She told COHEN about the names of [REDACTED] friends, and COHEN then requested her to contact these people and also check the Forest Hotel in New York City for [REDACTED].

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She can testify that she later telephoned COHEN from New York, advising him of her inability to find [REDACTED]. She will state that COHEN made no mention to her concerning suicidal tendencies of [REDACTED] but that on the contrary she advised him in her second conversation with him of the possible suicidal tendencies of [REDACTED], informing him further that she had received this information from either [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]. She will say that COHEN did not inform her of his reasons for trying to find [REDACTED].

[REDACTED]

This witness will identify himself as a [REDACTED]

He will state that he has known [REDACTED] for approximately [REDACTED] years, having first met [REDACTED] in New York City in connection with the flight business. [REDACTED] He will state that at approximately 9:30 a.m., November 7, 1950, he received a telephone call at the Barbers Hotel from [REDACTED] at which time [REDACTED] stated he had to have \$1,000.00 before 12 o'clock noon that day. [REDACTED] He will state that [REDACTED] said, "I'm in a terrible fix." He will say that [REDACTED] asked him to give him \$1,000.00 with the proviso that [REDACTED] in New York City had promised to forward [REDACTED] a \$1,000.00 check in repayment.

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He will testify he thought [REDACTED] was just fooling, but he told [REDACTED] he would give him a \$1,000.00 check if [REDACTED] promised to make it good. He will continue that shortly thereafter he received a telephone call from [REDACTED] in New York City, and that [REDACTED] told him he would forward by check the next day \$1,000.00 to [REDACTED] if [REDACTED] would furnish a \$1,000.00 check to [REDACTED] on that day, which was Election Day. He will state that [REDACTED] offered no reason for giving [REDACTED] the money.

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Shortly thereafter, he received a second call from [REDACTED] at which time he agreed to meet [REDACTED] at the Mayan Hotel. He will say that he took the check with him to the Mayan Hotel arriving at about noon November 7. He will say he located [REDACTED] handed [REDACTED] check for \$1,000.00, and that

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[REDACTED] immediately placed this check in his pocket. [REDACTED] will introduce the \$1,000.00 check, which bears the endorsements of [REDACTED] and M. COHEN and the stamp of the Hollywood State Bank, dated November 8, 1950. b7c

Representative
Western Union Telegraph Company
Los Angeles, California

This witness can introduce four original telegraph blanks.

The first of these is date stamped Los Angeles, California, November 10 1950, and reads as follows:

"TO: [REDACTED]"

"This is positively last request as it is vitally urgent and of great importance please send same amount to M Cohen 513 Moreno Avenue West Los Angeles am moving to Las Vegas where important proposition awaits and gambling legalized will be sending you partial payments soon but this request is more important than words can convey my deep thanks and kindest regards [REDACTED]"

The second telegram is date stamped Los Angeles, California, November 10, 1950, and reads as follows:

"TO: [REDACTED]"

"This is positively last request and I wish you can mail without delay to M Cohen 513 Moreno Avenue West Los Angeles I am leaving for Las Vegas tonight where gambling is legal and nothing can happen it is very vital that he gets that money because he has been hounded to death for no reason and the lawyers must be paid or they don't take the case. I know you understand and won't fail me because it is of great importance to me and other party. You will be getting back instalments very soon thanks and regards [REDACTED]" b7c

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The third telegram is date stamped Los Angeles, California, November 14 1950. It reads as follows:

"TO: [REDACTED]

"I'm waiting for your letter. Must have what I ask for. Trial starts Thursday. Will not ask you again ever until I am paid up with you. Send care of Cohen 518 Koreano Avenue West Los Angeles. Thanks. [REDACTED]

(The above telegram was admittedly sent from the Western Union Office at 634 South Spring Street by [REDACTED] through Western Union Clerk [REDACTED] who can recognize [REDACTED] and testify as to his appearing in that office at about 2:40 p.m. that date and dictating to him from a slip of paper he held in his hand. [REDACTED] has claimed [REDACTED] wrote out the original telegram for him to send as a follow up on the November 10, 1950 telegram to [REDACTED] whereas [REDACTED] has stated he did not prepare this telegram message.)

The fourth telegram tends to verify [REDACTED] poor financial condition after his arrival in Los Angeles, on November 4, 1950. It is date stamped West Hollywood, California, November 14, and was sent by [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] at Las Vegas. It reads as follows:

"TO: [REDACTED]

"Desert Inn going to contact you for money you need. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Good luck. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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On November 10, 1960, [REDACTED] New York City, New York, wrote out a telegram addressed to [REDACTED] 513 Moreno Avenue, West Los Angeles, California. [REDACTED] responded to this request by mailing his personal \$1,000.00 check made payable to [REDACTED] and sent to subject COHEN's address as above, this check being dated November 13, 1960. The check was endorsed under the name of [REDACTED] with a second endorsement as H. COHEN, but since [REDACTED] was from November 10 until November 27, 1960, out of California, it is obvious that someone else forged his name on the endorsement. It cannot be said that [REDACTED] forgery, but it was done obviously by or in behalf of subject COHEN, since his name appears as a second endorser and since the check was cashed at COHEN's bank, the Hollywood State Bank.

[REDACTED] has stated that he is unaware that [REDACTED] check was received in Los Angeles, and he has further stated that he did not authorize anyone to sign his name to this check and has furnished no one with power of attorney.

Pertinent check has subsequently progressed through the normal banking channels and was returned to [REDACTED] bank in New York City, where it was honored.

PROSECUTIVE ACTION TAKEN

There has been no prosecutive action taken, although this matter has been discussed with Assistant United States Attorney PAUL FITTING, Los Angeles, who has requested that efforts be made to prove the [REDACTED] signature as a forgery and to prove the COHEN endorsement as authentic.

Mr. FITTING indicated his desire to study this matter further for the purpose of determining if successful prosecution is possible in this District.

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This witness can testify that on November 13, 1960, he received a

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telegraphic request for \$1,000.00 from [REDACTED] and that following the suggestion in [REDACTED] telegram, he mailed his \$1,000.00 check number 7330, drawn on the Manufacturers Trust Company, New York City, to [REDACTED] in care of M. COHEN, 613 Moreno Avenue, West Los Angeles, California. b7c

[REDACTED] can introduce this now cancelled check, which bears as endorsements the name of [REDACTED] and M. COHEN, and bears other marks to indicate it was honored at the Hollywood State Bank.

The witness will testify that he is familiar with the signature of [REDACTED] and that in his opinion the endorsement appearing on the check is not [REDACTED] signature. b7c

This witness can testify that on November 10, 1950, at the Union Depot, Los Angeles, California, he prepared a telegram to [REDACTED] New York City, New York. He will testify that he has no knowledge of whether or not [REDACTED] responded to this telegram, because he has not seen [REDACTED] nor the check which he requested [REDACTED] to send in care of subject COHEN. He will state that it follows he did not endorse such a check. Also, he did not authorize anyone to sign his endorsement, nor did he give anyone power of attorney.

IDENTIFICATION RECORDS

Identification records on subjects have not yet been received from the FBI Identification Division.

DESCRIPTIONS

SUBJECTS AND VICTIM:

The following description was obtained from observation, interrogation, and Los Angeles Police Department records:

Name:	MICHAEL COHEN, was. Mickey Cohen, Michael Cohn, Michael Kane, Allen Weiner, Donald Dultz
Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Nationality:	American
Height:	5' 6"
Weight:	160
Age:	37
Eyes:	Brown
Hair:	Black, combed back
Build:	Wiry

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Dress:

Expensive business clothes;
diamond studded initialed
gold tie clasp.
Gambler.

Geturaction:

Address:

1111 Moreno Street, West Los
Angeles, California.

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The following description was obtained from observation and
interrogation:

Name:

Age:

Born:

Sex:

Race:

Nationality:

Height:

Weight:

Hair:

Eyes:

Build:

FBI #:

Occupation:

Address:

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The following description was obtained by observation and
interrogation:

Name:

Age:

Sex:

Race:

Nationality:

Height:

Weight:

Eyes:

Hair:

Scars:

Residence:

The following description was obtained from Los Angeles Police
Department:

Name:

Age:

Sex:

Race:

Nationality:

Height:

Weight:

Hair:

Eyes:

Occupation:

Residence:

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The following description was obtained from Los Angeles Police Department records by Sergeant [REDACTED] b7c

Name:
Age:
Sex:
Race:
Nationality:
Height:
Build:
Eyes:
Hair:
Scars/Markings:
Occupation:
Residence:

[REDACTED]

The following description was obtained from Los Angeles Police Department records:

Name:
Age:
Sex:
Race:
Nationality:
Height:
Weight:
Eyes:
Hair:
Build:
Occupation:

Residence:

[REDACTED] b7c

The following description was obtained from observation and information:

Name:

[REDACTED] b7c

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Age:
Born:

Height:
Weight:
Complexion:
Sex:
Race:
Hair:
Eyes:
Address:

Eyes:

The following description was obtained by observation and interrogation:

Name:
Place of birth:

Age:
Race:
Height:
Weight:
Sex:
Eyes:
Hair:
Complexion:
Facial features:

Military Service:

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES

DATE: 12/22/50

SUBJECT: MICHAEL COHEN was. ETAL;

[REDACTED] Victim
KIDNAPPING; INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF
STOLEN PROPERTY
(Bureau File # 7-5002)

Rebulet December 21, 1950 and Summary Report of SA [REDACTED] dated
December 9, 1950 at Los Angeles.

Enclosed herewith are corrected pages of referenced report, such pages being
21, 29 and 30. On page 21, line seven, a name has been changed to [REDACTED] instead
of "COHEN" and the next to the last line the word "they" has been changed to
"then."

On page 29 the parenthetical remarks starting on the fourth line from the
bottom and extending into page 30 have been changed for the sake of clarity
and correctness.

The Bureau is requested to substitute these three corrected pages in each
of the Bureau's copies and other offices receiving this communication are likewise
requested to make the substitutions in their copies.

An additional report reflecting later developments and additions necessary
will be submitted by this office as soon as possible, probably by the end of next
week.

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cc: Miami (Enclosures)

New Orleans (Enclosures)

New York (Enclosures)

Salt Lake City (7-221) (Enclosures)

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cc: Mr. [redacted]
Mr. [redacted]
Mr. Schmidt

Assistant Attorney General
James M. McInerney

January 4, 1951

Director, FBI

WICKS, ARNOLD, et al.
[redacted] Victim

INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY

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Further reference is made to your request of December 5, 1950, your file 109-12-15 [redacted] CAP, and my memorandum of December 4, 1950, in the above-captioned matter.

Pursuant to your request there is attached one copy each of the following additional reports prepared in this case:

Summary Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated December 9, 1950 at Los Angeles.
Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated December 9, 1950 at Salt Lake City.
Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated December 24, 1950 at New York.

It is noted that the above reports reflect that the victim as well as the subjects deny that victim [redacted] was physically forced to return from Las Vegas, Nevada - Los Angeles, California. It is also noted that the witnesses who observed victim's departure from Las Vegas have advised that there was no indication that [redacted] was being forced or that any violence was being employed against him.

The U. S. Attorney at Los Angeles has advised that he is deferring prosecutive opinion as to both the possible kidnapping and interstate transportation of stolen property violations. He has further indicated that in the event of prosecution, he would not desire to use [redacted] as a Government witness in view of [redacted] testimony before the Federal Grand Jury. The U. S. Attorney has also indicated that it is his desire to build the case without the use of the police confidential informant. Information from this informant is set forth on Pages 18 through 23 of the summary report of Special Agent [redacted].

With respect to the possible interstate transportation of stolen property violation set forth on Page 42 of the summary report of Special Agent [redacted] the U. S. Attorney at Los Angeles has been advised of a previous opinion received from the Criminal Division that the interstate transportation of a valid check bearing a forged endorsement is not as a matter of law a violation of the Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property Statute.

Assistant Attorney General
James M. McInerney

The U. S. Attorney has indicated that he intends to
subpoena additional witnesses before the Federal Grand Jury and
copies of additional reports will be forwarded to you as they are
received.

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Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E.A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Pennington	
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Mr. Nease	
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OPINION YET RENDERED. FITTING TO BE CONTACTED AGAIN MONDAY.

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DECEMBER 29, 1950

SAC, LOS ANGELES

MICHAEL COHEN, WAS., ETAL; [REDACTED] VIKID, ITSP. REURLET
DECEMBER TWENTY-SIX. CONCLUDED MICHAEL COHEN WROTE M. COHEN
ENDORSEMENT OF CHECK Q TWO. DEFINITE CONCLUSION NOT REACHED.
REGARDING COHEN ENDORSEMENTS ON Q ONE AND Q THREE, THE CHECK
SUBMITTED UNLIT. KNOWN SIGNATURES [REDACTED] NOT
SUFFICIENTLY COMPAREABLE COHEN ENDORSEMENTS Q ONE AND Q THREE.
COMPLETE RECORD AND EVIDENCE FOLLOW.

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In addition to signatures of MICHAEL COHEN, there are enclosed several signatures of [REDACTED]. It is requested that these signatures be used for comparison with the above check endorsements, if necessary.

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X-15a: [REDACTED]

X-16a: [REDACTED]

X-17a: [REDACTED]

X-18a: [REDACTED]

The results of the laboratory examination should be incorporated into a report being prepared by this office on December 10, 1960, and the Laboratory is therefore requested to airtel Los Angeles by that date, if possible, the results of the examination.

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Mr. Tolson	
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Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Winterrowd	
Mr. Holloman	
Mr. Gandy	

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DIRECTOR

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MICHAEL COHEN, WAS. ET AL. [REDACTED] DASH WIXID, ITSP. REMTEL

DEC. TWENTYONE. [REDACTED] SUSPECTED TO TESTIFY BEFORE FGJ TOMORROW IN EFFORT TO GAIN HIS ADMISSIONS, PARTICULARLY THAT COHEN ARRANGED TO HAVE [REDACTED] TAKEN TO [REDACTED] HOTEL, AND THEN MET HIM THERE. REPORT BEING SUBMITTED TOMORROW.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
FROM : SAC, Los Angeles
SUBJECT: MICHAEL CORRY et al;
[REDACTED] - VIKID;
IRP

DATE: 1/5/51

Re Los Angeles report of SA [REDACTED] dated 1/4/50.

Please change date to 1/4/51.

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cc: Miami
Salt Lake City
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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.**

9/ SAC, Los Angeles

January 2, 1952

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on December 29, 1950. This report confirms and supplements the Bureau's teletype of December 29, 1950.

RE: [REDACTED] - Victim
[REDACTED] - [REDACTED]

J. Edgar Hoover
J. Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO. 7-581
FBI FILE NO. 7-2000
LAB. NO. 5-12550 25

Reference: Los Angeles
Letter 12-21-50
Examination requested: Document

SPECIMEN	CHECK #	AMOUNT	DATE	PAYABLE TO	SIGNED BY	MARK
Q2	-	\$1000.00	11-7-50	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	FRANK A. STEVENS, Jr., Security First Nat'l Bank of Los Angeles, Los Angeles, Calif.

- Q1 Known handwriting of MICHAEL GORME listed in your letter as E-1 through E-13.
- Q2 Known handwriting of [REDACTED] listed in your letter as E-14 through E-15.

Results of examination:

It was concluded that the \$1,000 endorsement on check Q2 was written by MICHAEL GORME whose known signatures are designated above as E5.

A definite conclusion was not reached as to whether or not MICHAEL GORME prepared the MICHAEL GORME endorsement on the back of Q1 due to the presence of characteristics which could not be explained on the basis of the available handwriting. A considerable number of variations exist between the known handwriting of GORME and the endorsement on Q1.

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is accordance with your request, specimens 13, 14 and 15 are returned herewith. Appropriate photographic copies of these specimens have been retained for completion of the Laboratory's files.

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N.Y. FILE NO. **7-566** KM

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 12/26/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/16-18, 20-25, 27/50	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]
TITLE AND SUBJECT UNKNOWN. WAS; Et Al; [REDACTED] VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPPING - IMMEDIATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED] on **11/2 or 3/50**, received telephone call from a **[REDACTED]** who identified himself as **[REDACTED]** and inquired as to whereabouts of **[REDACTED]**, saying that the latter had disappeared, and friends in Los Angeles were concerned in that he talked of suicide. On same date, **[REDACTED]** telephoned **[REDACTED]** from Los Angeles, inquiring as to **[REDACTED]** whereabouts, and also expressed concern that **[REDACTED]** might commit suicide. **[REDACTED]** stated **[REDACTED]** in trouble because of gambling. **[REDACTED]** also received similar inquiry from **[REDACTED]**

On **11/5/50**, **[REDACTED]** received letter from **[REDACTED]** requesting \$1,000. In response to which **[REDACTED]** mailed **[REDACTED]** a check for this amount. **[REDACTED]** in letter stated that he was "in a jam". **[REDACTED]** received telephone request for additional \$1,000 from **[REDACTED]** **11/13/50**, and sent same to **[REDACTED]** Care of M. Cohen, West Los Angeles, California. **[REDACTED]** on examination of cancelled checks expressed opinion that signature of **[REDACTED]** on second check is a forgery. Checks reflect endorsements of **[REDACTED]**

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[REDACTED], MICHAEL COHEN and M. COHEN, and
were cashed at West Hollywood State
Bank, Los Angeles.

[REDACTED] New York
City, received telephone request from
11/5/50 and arranged \$1,000 loan to [REDACTED]
through [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Background of [REDACTED] and efforts
to locate set forth.

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Details: At New York, New York:

This is a joint report of SA [REDACTED]

and the writer.

On November 16, 1950, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was interviewed
by SA [REDACTED] and the writer at the offices of
RING INC., at which time he furnished the following
signed statement, which statement was typed in its entirety
by [REDACTED]

"November 16, 1950
New York City, N.Y.

"I, [REDACTED], make the following
voluntary statement to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
who have identified themselves to me as
special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"On the morning of November 2 or November 3,
at nine a.m. I received a telephone call
from [REDACTED] asking me if I
had any information on the whereabouts of [REDACTED]

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"I requested to know what the reason for such query was and he replied: "I received a phone message from a girl [REDACTED], telling me that she had reason to believe that something had happened to [REDACTED]" b7c

[REDACTED] and received a message from California saying that something had happened to him. She apparently he said, 'was the last to see him as she has learned that he had not returned to his home in Burbank and that she was told all his belongings [REDACTED] there but he is nowhere to be found. She will call you up shortly.' he continued. 'She told me she was asked to get in touch with you and [REDACTED] and me to see if we knew of his whereabouts.'

"I told [REDACTED] I knew nothing about [REDACTED] since I had not received a letter from him for some time. I informed him that [REDACTED] sent two or three envelopes from California to me regularly each week, but that they contained nothing but clippings of the fights which I gave to [REDACTED] to file for our records.

"About a half hour later, I was called on the phone by [REDACTED]. She introduced herself as a friend of [REDACTED] who had seen him the day before [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] "I am going to look for a job in a night club. [REDACTED]"

"I asked what she wanted me for. She replied that she was asked to contact me to learn if I knew where [REDACTED] was.

"I informed her I knew nothing of his whereabouts and was surprised to learn that he was missing.

" 'You know he often talked about suicide,' she remarked and that has us worried.'

" 'To whom do you refer, I inquired.

" 'Well, [REDACTED] myself and others are worried that he cannot be found and we thought that perhaps [REDACTED]" b7c

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"he came to New York and you would know where he is stopping
[REDACTED] b7c

" 'Since you left him yesterday, what makes you think that he would be here by now? I hope nothing has happened to him. Did he get into any jam, I inquired?

" 'I don't know. All I know is that I was asked to find out if you had any information on him.'

" When I told her I didn't, she said, 'Well, I hope you'll hear from him.'

[REDACTED] b7c
[REDACTED] that was the last I heard from her. I have not seen her nor spoken to her since and don't know the girl.

" That same afternoon, about three o'clock, [REDACTED] called me from Los Angeles. He inquired if I had seen [REDACTED] or heard from him. I told him I hadn't. I then informed him of the call from [REDACTED] and asked who she was. He said that she is a [REDACTED] at night club who has gone to New York to seek engagements. He was asked by me if there was anything wrong. I said, Is [REDACTED] in any trouble? You know that I like the kid and I would like to know.

" Well, I answered [REDACTED] 'Yes he's in a little trouble but not of any consequence. It is nothing that cannot be settled easily.'

" 'Is it a gambling affair? I inquired. b7c

" 'Well, in a way, yes.'

" What has happened?

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"I don't know. All I know is that he saw me yesterday morning and now no one knows where he is. He left all his clothes and everything else intact at his rooming house and I don't know what to think. You know he often kept saying that if he couldn't make a go of things, he'd kill himself and he's a crazy kid and might do a thing like that."

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"I know [redacted] He's foolish enough to do anything, I suppose, I replied."

"If you hear from him, would you please give me a ring. Call me and reverse the charges. Here's my phone number. Don't forget, please, [redacted] should [redacted] be in New York or communicate with you, don't fail to let me know. It will relieve my anxiety."

"I promised, but didn't call because I hadn't received any word."

"Two days later, [redacted] whom I knew and who is a good friend of [redacted] called me from the Park Sheraton. She said she had arrived in New York [redacted] and would like to see me. She informed me that she had heard about the missing [redacted] and asked if I knew of his whereabouts. I told her I didn't and she remarked, 'the silly kid. What a nice boy. I hope nothing is wrong.'"

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[redacted]

"On November 6, 1950, in the morning, at 8:30, my call arrived at the office and in it was a letter from [redacted] whose handwriting I immediately recognized. It was from Burbank, [redacted] and in it he informed me that he was in a little jam and told me that he had written to me, [redacted] and [redacted], three persons with whom he was friendly, asking us to help him."

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

"Well the time had arrived when on the morning of November 6, 1950, his letter informed me that he had to have in a hurry some money. He said he is asking [REDACTED] \$1000, [REDACTED] for \$2000 and [REDACTED] for \$3000. He said in his letter to me, 'You can now pay me. You have always said you wanted to, so send me the \$1000 as soon as possible and mail to me at my home.

"This I did. I understood that he had sent in his letters to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] the information that he had asked me for the \$1000 but I was told that though [REDACTED] sent him \$1000 [REDACTED] couldn't do it and wouldn't because he said he needed what he possessed.

"The check I sent to him on November 6, 1950. Check No. 11255, made out from the account of [REDACTED] b7c

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"and marked for services rendered, was mailed airmail [REDACTED] b7c

"I had not heard from him any more. I was under the impression, not getting any mail, that all was well after he had received the money but on the morning of November 13, 1950, I received a telegram from Los Angeles which asked me to 'send a duplicate of the last amount very urgent. This must be a loan. I'll repay you shortly in small amounts. Will have a fine business deal in Las Vegas in a few days. Send to me care of W. Cohen'. and at the end of the message was the address of COHEN, whom I recognized as HENRY COHEN, a former fighter [REDACTED]

"I did as requested and this time I sent my personal check, marked as a loan, the amount being \$1000 and the check number being 7356, in my personal account at the Manufacturers' Trust Company.

"That was the last communication I had with [REDACTED] I don't know where he is, what difficulty he's in, other than what he wrote, 'jam'.

"As with all personal mail ever sent to me by [REDACTED] I destroyed same. I never thought there was any reason for keeping such letters.

"I personally have typed this statement consisting of this and four other pages and know the contents thereof to be true to the best of my recollection. I have initialed all corrections and place my signature on each page.

(Signed) [REDACTED]

"Witnesses: [REDACTED]

Special Agent,
FBI, NYC 11/16/50 b7c

[REDACTED] - Spec. Agent
FBI, NYC 11/16/50

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The deletions appearing on page 3, paragraph 4 and page 4, paragraph 1, were made by me on November 20, 1950

(Signed) [REDACTED]

Witness: [REDACTED]

Special Agent, FBI, NYC
11/20/50

Spec. Agt - FBI, NYC
11/20/50

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The above mentioned checks were furnished by [REDACTED] Check No. 11255 on November 17, 1950, and Check No. 7380 on November 21, 1950. These checks are being retained in instant case file and are described as follows:

"Check No. 11255 in the amount of \$1,000 drawn on the MANUFACTURERS TRUST COMPANY, New York City, dated November 6, 1950, signed by [REDACTED] payable to [REDACTED] and bearing endorsements of [REDACTED] and "Michael Cohen". The stamp appearing on the reverse of instant check reveals that it was cashed at the HOLLYWOOD STATE BANK, Los Angeles, California on November 10, 1950.

Check No. 7380 in the amount of \$1,000 dated November 13, 1950 drawn on the MANUFACTURERS TRUST COMPANY, New York City, payable to [REDACTED] signed by [REDACTED] and bearing endorsements [REDACTED] and "M. COHEN". The stamp appearing on the reverse thereof reflects that this check was cashed at the HOLLYWOOD STATE BANK, Los Angeles, California, 11/14/50.

[REDACTED] explained that the first check No. 11255 was mailed to [REDACTED] addressed to the [REDACTED] address the second check No. 7380 was mailed to [REDACTED]

██████████ Care of M. COHEN at an address on Morengo Avenue,
West Los Angeles, California.

Concerning the above described checks, ██████████ pointed out that he is very familiar with ██████████ signature and handwriting, and from observation of the endorsements, knows the endorsement of ██████████ appearing on Check 11255 to be ██████████ genuine signature, but claims that the endorsement of ██████████ appearing on Check 7380 is not ██████████ signature, but a forgery.

With regard to the above mentioned communication received from ██████████ advised that all of them had been destroyed.

Concerning the telegram received from ██████████ on November 13, 1950, he stated that it was his best recollection that this wire was worded as follows:

"THIS IS POSITIVELY MY LAST REQUEST.
SEND DUPLICATE OF LAST AMOUNT TO ME, CARE
OF M. COHEN, _____ MORENGO AVENUE, WEST LOS
ANGELES. VERY URGENT AND GOING TO LAS
VEGAS. VERY IMPORTANT POSITION AWAITS ME.
THIS REQUEST IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN WORDS CAN
CONVEY."

On November 16, 17, 1950, ██████████

██████████ New York City, was
interviewed at ██████████ by SA's
██████████ and ██████████

██████████ advised that he has known ██████████
for ██████████ years, and mentioned that the latter has been
closely associated with boxing circles for that period of
time. ██████████

██████████ mentioned that about a year ago, ██████████

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went to the West Coast where he became associated with [REDACTED] a prominent [REDACTED] fighter. b7c

[REDACTED] related that around November 6, 1950, [REDACTED] phoned him at his office from Los Angeles and asked for a \$2500 loan. [REDACTED] did not explain the reason for the loan, and [REDACTED] stated that he made arrangements whereby [REDACTED] would furnish \$1,000 to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] (as well) in turn would repay [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] insisted that he had heard nothing from or about [REDACTED] from November 6, 1950 through the date of the instant interview, November 16, 1950.

On November 17, 1950, [REDACTED] was reinterviewed, at which time he altered his story, saying that on November 6, 1950 he received a telephone call from [REDACTED] who was calling from Burbank, California. [REDACTED] asked for [REDACTED] whereupon he told [REDACTED] that he would loan him \$1,000. He instructed [REDACTED] to obtain the money from [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] telephoned back in a few moments to say that [REDACTED] did not have the money, at which time [REDACTED] requested that [REDACTED] arrange the loan through [REDACTED] [REDACTED] agreed to do this, and thereafter telephoned [REDACTED] asking the latter to furnish \$1,000 to [REDACTED] stating that he would forward his personal check to [REDACTED] for this loan.

Thereafter on November 14, 1950, [REDACTED] received a telegram, which he produced, and which bore the following code:

"LA 509 LSXA 233
MIPD - SK, Los Angeles,
California 14"

The telegram was dated November 14, 1950, 5:29 p.m. It was addressed to [REDACTED] New York, and read as follows: b7c

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"I AM WAITING FOR YOUR LETTER.
MUST HAVE WHAT I ASKED FOR. TRIAL
STARTS THURSDAY. WILL NOT ASK YOU AGAIN
EVER UNTIL I AM PAID UP WITH YOU. SEND
CARE OF M. COHEN, 513 MORENO AVENUE
WEST LOS ANGELES. THANKS.

b7c

(Signed) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that he answered this wire on November 15, 1950, addressing a telegraph reply to [REDACTED] Care of M. COHEN at the above address, which wire read as follows:

"IMPOSSIBLE TO DO ANYTHING NOW AS I
EXPLAINED ON PHONE.

(Signed) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said that his secretary sent this wire from [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] explained further that a day or two prior to November 14, 1950, he received another telegram at his home, which wire was delivered to his wife, who opened it, and being displeased, did not want to show it to him. He said that this wire asked for an additional loan of \$2,000, but that he did not respond to this wire, and the telegram received by him on November 14, 1950 was a follow-up wire.

The following is a signed statement obtained from [REDACTED] dated November 20, 1950:

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"11/20/50

"I, [redacted] NYC, make the following voluntary statement to [redacted] and [redacted], who have identified themselves as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. No threats or promises have been made to me and I realize this statement may be used in a court of law. b7c

"I have known [redacted] for the past [redacted] years. The last time I saw [redacted] was about the early months of 1950.

"On about 11/6/1950 I received a telephone call from [redacted] at the [redacted]. He asked me if I had received a letter he sent me. I told him no. Then he asked me to loan him \$3000.00. He stated that he needed the money, that he was in a bad spot. I interrupted him at this time and told him to call me at home.

"The same day in the evening [redacted] again called me by phone, this time at home. He told me he needed \$3000 because he was in trouble and had to make good some money. I told him I could let him have \$1000 and he should again phone me and tell me where I should send it.

"On the following day [redacted] called me at my office and said he will try to get the money from [redacted] and let you know. He phoned me again and said that [redacted] had no money but he would call [redacted] and try to get the same from him.

"He again phoned me and said [redacted] wanted me to call [redacted] and verify the loan. I then called [redacted] and verified same and told [redacted] I would send him, \$1000 by check, which I did, and marked the check on the bottom loan to [redacted]. About 3 or 4 days later [redacted] sent a telegram to my home requesting the rest of the money. I ignored this request and did not acknowledge it. b7c

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"On the 14th of Nov. I received another telegram sent to [REDACTED] from [REDACTED] requesting the money originally asked for and to be sent in care of M. COHEN, 513 Moreno Avenue, West Los Angeles. I answered this telegram by addressing a telegram to [REDACTED] M. COHEN, 513 Moreno Ave., West Los Angeles, Cal., as follows: 'Impossible to do anything now as I explained on phone.' This telegram I sent on 11/15/50. I have heard nothing more from [REDACTED] since 11/14/50. [REDACTED] only explanation for the need of the money in my phone conversations was that he needed it for personal reasons.

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"I have read the above statement and claim it to be true.

(Signed) [REDACTED]

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Witness:

(Signed) [REDACTED] Special Agent - F.B.I.

(Signed) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CENTRAL HANOVER BANK,
30 Rockefeller Plaza, produced [REDACTED] check to [REDACTED]. It was on a blank check form dated November 8, 1950, drawn to [REDACTED] in the amount of \$1,000.

This check bears the typewritten notation:
"Loan to [REDACTED] It was endorsed by [REDACTED] and deposited November 13, 1950 at the SECURITY FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF LOS ANGELES.

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On November 22, 1950, [REDACTED] furnished the writer with a photostatic copy of the above described check, which is being retained in instant case file.

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Inquiry was made at the Belvedere Hotel, New York City, November 17, 1950, and it was ascertained through [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] registered at the hotel on October 27, 1950 from Hollywood, California and was currently residing in Room 1216. b7c

On November 18, 1950, [REDACTED] was interviewed in his room at the Belvedere Hotel, at which time she furnished the following statement to SA's [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

"Nov 18, 1950
New York, N.Y.

"I, [REDACTED] hereby make the following voluntary statement to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] whom I know to be Special Agents of the F.B.I. No threats or promises were made to obtain this statement. I realize that this statement may be used in court.

"I have known [REDACTED] about [REDACTED] months. I met [REDACTED] through MICKEY COHEN with whom [REDACTED] was friendly. I was friendly with MICKEY COHEN through [REDACTED]

"about Oct. 27, 1950 on a Thursday I left Los Angeles by plane for N.Y. and [REDACTED] put me on the plane which left from Burbank, Calif. [REDACTED] lived in [REDACTED] I left Calif. in order to obtain employment in N.Y.C. [REDACTED]

"I arrived in N.Y.C. on a Friday; about 2 or 3 days later, I received a call from MICKEY COHEN at my hotel, the Hotel Belvedere, which hotel I informed MICKEY I would be at.

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"MICKEY GONEN inquired if I had seen [REDACTED] b7C
I told MICKEY that I had not and the last I saw of him was
when [REDACTED] I asked MICKEY if he
had seen [REDACTED] and he told me that he saw him on the day
after I left Los Angeles. I inquired of MICKEY what was
wrong and MICKEY told me that [REDACTED] was missing and
no one had heard from him.

"I told MICKEY that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] had given me the names of three of his friends and
wanted me to say 'hello' to them for him. These friends were
[REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] MICKEY told me to contact all of the above
to see if [REDACTED] was in N.Y.C. and where he was. MICKEY also
wanted me to check at the Forest Hotel in N.Y.C. to see if
[REDACTED] was staying there.

"During this conversation, MICKEY appeared, from
the tone of his voice, to be worried & upset. He gave me no
reason for this request and asked me to do it as a favor for
him. b7C

"I contacted the above three friends of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and none of them knew his whereabouts. I also
contacted the Forest Hotel, and he was not registered.

"A couple days after this call, I attempted to
call MICKEY at his business & was not successful. However,
he called me at Belvedere Hotel. I told MICKEY that no one
in N.Y.C. had heard from [REDACTED] I also gave MICKEY the
phone number of [REDACTED] because [REDACTED] had told me that
[REDACTED] had disappeared once before.

"MICKEY sounded worried & upset & told me that
[REDACTED] was still missing. MICKEY said that in case I hear
anything about [REDACTED] to let him know.

"About Nov. 13, 1950 I received a phone call from
[REDACTED] who told me that he had just heard that [REDACTED] was
O.K., that he had been in Las Vegas & had returned to his
home in Calif. b7C

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"MICKEY did not mention to me any suicidal tendencies on part of [REDACTED]. I had heard from either [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] had suicidal tendencies. When I talked to MICKEY I mentioned to him the information I had received from [REDACTED] & [REDACTED] concerning [REDACTED] suicidal tendencies.

"The afternoon before I left Los Angeles, I asked [REDACTED] if he liked Los Angeles and he stated he didn't. I asked him why he didn't leave Los Angeles & return to N.Y. He told me that he doubted that he would live a year or that he would ever leave Los Angeles.

"I have not seen, heard from [REDACTED] or been in contact with him since I left Los Angeles.

"I have carefully read the above statement consisting of this & 4 other pages. I have initialed each page, also all strike outs and have signed my name to the last page. I find this statement true & correct to the best of my knowledge.

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(Signed) [REDACTED]

"Witnesses:

(Signed) [REDACTED], Spec. Ag't, FBI - NY

(Signed) [REDACTED], Sp. Agt. F.B.I. - NY

11/18/50"

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[REDACTED] New York City, advised SA [REDACTED] and the writer that on or about November 1, 1950, he received a telephone call at 2 a.m. from a girl who identified herself as [REDACTED]. He explained that this person was unknown to him, but that she identified herself as a close friend of [REDACTED] whom [REDACTED] has known for the past [REDACTED] years. b7C

She explained that she was from Los Angeles, was [REDACTED] and had come to New York City to obtain a job [REDACTED] but had not "connected" as yet.

One inquired as to the whereabouts of [REDACTED], saying that she had learned from [REDACTED] friends in Los Angeles that he had disappeared and they were very worried about him. [REDACTED] stated that he advised her that he did not know the whereabouts of [REDACTED] and told her not to worry as [REDACTED] would frequently disappear and eventually show up again. He advised her to call [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] stated that through the conversation he had learned that she had also called [REDACTED] who in turn had referred her to him.

[REDACTED] related that after [REDACTED] and others in New York City received telegrams from [REDACTED] from Los Angeles requesting money, he telephoned [REDACTED] and advised her that [REDACTED] was back in Los Angeles.

At the time of the instant interview, November 16, 1950, [REDACTED] was unable to furnish any information as to the whereabouts of [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] was interviewed at his [REDACTED] residence, the [REDACTED], on November 16, 1950, at which time he stated that he has been b7C

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acquainted with [REDACTED] for a period of from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] years. He mentioned that [REDACTED] while in New York resided at the [REDACTED]

He said that he corresponded with [REDACTED] up until six or seven months ago at which time [REDACTED] was residing at [REDACTED]

He related about November 6, 1950, [REDACTED] received a letter from [REDACTED] in which [REDACTED] asked him for a loan of money. [REDACTED] said that he did not see the letter himself, [REDACTED]

He said that [REDACTED] in the letter told [REDACTED] that he was also requesting money from [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] also said that [REDACTED] did not explain in the letter the reason for his requesting money.

[REDACTED] continued, stating that a few days before the receipt of this letter, a girl telephoned him at the [REDACTED] Hotel around 3 p.m., stating that her name was [REDACTED] and she was living at the [REDACTED] Hotel. He said that this woman told him that she was a friend of [REDACTED] and that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said that [REDACTED] seemed extremely excited and told him that she had heard from the West Coast that no one had seen [REDACTED] for four or five days, and that he had disappeared completely.

[REDACTED] stated that he had advised [REDACTED] that he did not know [REDACTED] present whereabouts, and suggested that she call [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

On November 17, 1950, [REDACTED] was interviewed at the [REDACTED] at which time he [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] furnished substantially the same story as given by his [REDACTED] and explained that he no longer had [REDACTED] letter, and further advised that he did not respond to this letter, nor did he send [REDACTED] any money. b7C

[REDACTED] on being interviewed November 20, 1950, by SA [REDACTED] and the reporting Agent advised that she had arrived in New York City from Los Angeles on November 1, 1950. She said that her occupation was that of a [REDACTED] and stated that she was attempting to get a job [REDACTED]

She explained that she was a friend of [REDACTED] having met the latter about [REDACTED] years ago in Los Angeles through [REDACTED]

She claimed to have separated from the latter in January, 1950 and to have obtained a divorce decree at Las Vegas, Nevada. [REDACTED] b7C

Concerning [REDACTED] she stated that she has never met [REDACTED] and knows of him only through hearing [REDACTED] mention his name.

[REDACTED] stated that she was in possession of no information concerning the whereabouts of [REDACTED] but that [REDACTED] told her the day before, November 19, 1950, that [REDACTED] had telephoned MICKEY COHEN, and that the latter had informed her that [REDACTED] was "very much alive."

[REDACTED] mentioned that she had met MICKEY COHEN through [REDACTED] about [REDACTED] years ago, and was also acquainted with [REDACTED] Los Angeles, and [REDACTED] b7C

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[redacted] of [redacted] was reinterviewed at the [redacted] November 20, 1950 regarding her call to MICKEY COHEN, at which time she advised that she called MICKEY COHEN at his Los Angeles tailor shop on November 18, 1950 and advised him that she had been questioned by FBI Agents in New York City. She stated that COHEN became very angry, stating that he did not know why Agents were bothering her, in that [redacted] was "perfectly all right".

According to [redacted], COHEN did not indicate that [redacted] was in New York City, nor did he specifically say that he knew [redacted] whereabouts.

Questioned as to the source of her information that [redacted] might be considering committing suicide, [redacted] stated that she received this information from [redacted] who told her that [redacted] had talked about this matter when he [redacted] had seen [redacted] out on the coast. She denied that she originated the suicide story, or was prompted to furnish such a story by persons on the West Coast.

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In this connection, it is noted that [redacted] advised November 20, 1950 that when he last saw [redacted] in Los Angeles in September, 1950, the latter was in good spirits, claimed that he had plenty of money and was not in the least despondent. [redacted] stated that [redacted] did not mention suicide, nor in any way indicate that he was considering suicide.

[redacted] reiterated that it was his recollection that both [redacted] and [redacted] expressed the possibility that [redacted] might commit suicide, and stated for this reason they were concerned regarding [redacted] whereabouts.

[redacted] further advised on November 20, 1950 that an individual known to him as [redacted], whom he knows to

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be a close friend of [REDACTED] called at [REDACTED] office, and stated that he had been with [REDACTED] before the latter's disappearance. b7C

According to [REDACTED], things were not going very well with [REDACTED] and the latter was in debt to RICKY COHEN for approximately \$2,000 or \$2,500. [REDACTED] stated that at this time, [REDACTED] had approximately \$2200 in his pocket.

[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] further advised that he had been with [REDACTED] in Los Angeles shortly after [REDACTED] disappearance, and at that time [REDACTED] had in his possession a suicide note allegedly written by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that the identity of [REDACTED] could be ascertained through [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] New York City, advised that he and [REDACTED], with whom he has been acquainted for the past [REDACTED] years, were at one time associated in the fight business. He said that he had not seen [REDACTED] for the past eight or nine months, and that the last he knew of [REDACTED] the latter was going to the West Coast. He stated the last address that he had for [REDACTED] was [REDACTED] and that [REDACTED] undoubtedly could be located through [REDACTED] [REDACTED], Los Angeles, or through [REDACTED] promoter. b7C

Questioned with regard to the identity of [REDACTED] mentioned above, [REDACTED] advised that this was [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was interviewed by SA [REDACTED] in New York City and advised that he had just returned from California. b7C

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Around the first of November, 1950 and up to that time, he had been in constant contact with [REDACTED] seeing him [REDACTED] at the fights in Los Angeles. b7c

He stated that [REDACTED] was "making book" and had been "hit" on the Ram Football game and was probably in debt in the amount of \$5,000. He said before he left the coast, there were rumors that [REDACTED] had left a note stating in effect that he was going to kill himself.

[REDACTED] said that in his opinion, [REDACTED] did not commit suicide and was probably hiding-out until he decided to give himself up or wait-out the investigation.

[REDACTED] explained that he himself went to the coast for the purpose of [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] advised on November 16, 1950 that he had not seen or heard from [REDACTED] since about [REDACTED] at which time [REDACTED] was in New York City and staying at the Picadilly Hotel.

[REDACTED] was unable to furnish any information as to the present whereabouts of the victim.

[REDACTED] advised that she last spoke to [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] one year ago. At that time [REDACTED] mentioned that some day there would be an investigation, and at that time a lot of names would be mentioned and he did not intend to be around.

He did not elaborate on the type of investigation to which he referred, and [REDACTED] conjectured that he b7c

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was possibly referring to the present investigation into gambling being conducted by the Brooklyn District Attorney's Office. **b7c**

She stated that [REDACTED] told her at that time that he intended to disappear, and that she should not worry about him, and further that she should not bother [REDACTED] or any of his other friends with any inquiries concerning his whereabouts.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] **b7c**

[REDACTED] She stated that she had not seen [REDACTED] for quite some time; was not acquainted with any of his associates; and was in possession of no information as to his present whereabouts. She commented that she considered [REDACTED] "a bit of a Broadway character who was mixed up with the fight crowd".

[REDACTED] New York City.
[REDACTED] advised that he is well acquainted with [REDACTED] and also knows MICKEY COHEN. **b7c**

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Concerning [redacted] he related that in February, 1950, [redacted] [redacted] at the Mayfair Cafe [redacted]

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[redacted] stated at that time it was his understanding that [redacted] was engaged in the fight business out on the West Coast.

[redacted] was unable to furnish any information as to the present whereabouts of [redacted] but was of the opinion that [redacted] would possibly be able to furnish information as to [redacted] whereabouts in that if [redacted] needed money, these persons would be in a position to loan him out.

[redacted] mentioned that [redacted] has been out of touch with [redacted] for the past [redacted] or [redacted] years.

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[redacted], advised on November 15, 1950, that [redacted] has not stopped at this hotel in the last six months nor did the records reflect a forwarding address for [redacted]

The following individuals were interviewed with regard to the present whereabouts and associates of [redacted]. In that the information furnished was not pertinent to the instant investigation, the results of such interviews will not be set forth herein.

[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
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[REDACTED] advised on November 24, 1950, that he had received a telephone call from [REDACTED] of New York City.

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[REDACTED] explained to [REDACTED] that she was attempting to get in touch with [REDACTED] in that the latter owed [REDACTED] a considerable sum of money. She stated that [REDACTED] had loaned this money to [REDACTED] with the understanding that the latter would repay the loan to [REDACTED] in the United States.

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In view of the above, [REDACTED] stated that it was unlikely that [REDACTED] would go to [REDACTED] for contact for financial aid.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as a person who would gamble on anything, and would give ridiculous odds rather than pass up the opportunity to make a wager.

He stated that as a consequence of this habit, [REDACTED] has been in financial straits on a number of occasions but eventually manages to pay his gambling debts.

There are being enclosed herewith for the Los Angeles Office, the originals of the above set forth signed statements of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

Enclosures - Los Angeles (3)

Signed statements of:
[REDACTED]

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P E N D I N G

At New York:

Will, upon completion of instant matter,
transmit checks No. 11255 and No. 7386

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Reference: Los Angeles teletype to Bureau and
New York, November 15, 1950

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MICHAEL COHEN, WASH ET AL

VIKID.

ITSP. ASSAS WALTER BINNS AND PAUL FITTING DESIRE CONFERENCE WITH SA
ON THIS CASE JAN. EIGHTEEN NEXT. NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS TO DATE.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LCS ANGELES**

FILE NO. **b7C**

REPORT MADE AT MIAMI	DATE WHEN MADE 1-17-51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/5, 12, 13/50 1/16/51	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] CIA - MS D
TITLE MICHAEL JAMES WAS. ET AL [REDACTED]			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED]

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DETAILS:

January 16, 1951

ADVISED THAT:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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- PENDING -

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- ADMINISTRATIVE -

On the afternoon of December 6, 1950 [REDACTED] telephonically contacted Assistant Special Agent in Charge W. W. BURKE, who advised that he was in Miami Beach, Florida and could be located through [REDACTED] b7C

On December 12, 1950 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said that the Federal Grand Jury at Los Angeles had been investigating the activities of racketeer RICHIE COHEN. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] furnished no data of interest to the [REDACTED] investigation.

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- READS -

THE HON. DISTRICT

At Miami Beach, Florida:

Will be retained with [REDACTED] and keep advised of his present whereabouts, inasmuch as it is possible that his presence as a witness in the instant case may be desired in the future. b7c

In the evening [REDACTED] leaves the Miami area for a locale [REDACTED] a [REDACTED] of the Summary Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated December 9, 1955 at Los Angeles, California in instant matter should be forwarded to the office [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] of a copy has not already been designated.

RECEIVED: Summary report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated December 9, 1955 at Los Angeles.
Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated January 4, 1956 at Los Angeles. b7c

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FROM WASHINGTON 12 AND LOS ANGELES 1 FROM NEW YORK

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MIKEY COHEN, ETAL, [REDACTED] VIND. [REDACTED]
INTERVIEWED NOV. TWENTY, STATES SHE IS NOT ACQUAINTED WITH [REDACTED]
SHE KNOWS NOTHING CONCERNING INSTANT MATTER. SHE ADVISED,
HOWEVER, THAT [REDACTED] TOLD HER THAT FOLLOWING HER INTERVIEW BY AGENTS
IN THIS OFFICE [REDACTED] TELEPHONED MICKEY COHEN. [REDACTED] WAS REINTER-
VIEWED IN THIS REGARD AND ADMITTED SHE CALLED MICKEY COHEN AT HIS
HOME NOV. SEVENTEEN LAST FROM A PAY PHONE, NYC, AND ADVISED
HIM OF THE INTERVIEW. SHE STATED COHEN WAS MAD AND COULD NOT UNDER-
STAND WHY THE FBI WAS BOOTHERING HER. COHEN TOLD HER THAT [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] HAD COHEN DID NOT INDICATE THAT [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] IN NYC NOR DID HE MENTION THAT HE KNEW THE WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] NOV. TWENTY ADVISED THAT HE
WAS VISITED BY AN INDIVIDUAL WHOSE LAST NAME HE COULD NOT RECALL BUT
KNEW HIM AS A FRIEND OF [REDACTED] THIS INDIVIDUAL STATED THAT [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] A SUICIDE
[REDACTED] BY [REDACTED] SOMETIME BEFORE [REDACTED] DISAPPEARED OCT. TWENTY
[REDACTED] STATED THAT [REDACTED] HERE COULD SIGNIFY
[REDACTED] ARRANGEMENTS MADE TODAY THROUGH [REDACTED] TO [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] INDIVIDUAL TOMORROW. SIGNED STATEMENT BEING OR-
[REDACTED] FROM [REDACTED] NYC, NOV
[REDACTED] INQUIRY TO DATE FAILS TO DISCLOSE [REDACTED] OF [REDACTED]
INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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Mr. Nease _____

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FROM LOS ANGELES

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RECEIVED, VIKIA, DAILY SUMMARY.

ADMIT

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] IN THEIR PLACE TWO OR THREE TIMES A

[REDACTED] INDICAT-

[REDACTED] LAST SAW [REDACTED] THREE WEEKS AGO IN CLUE AT UNION

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] LOCATED AND ADMITS KNOWING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADMITS HAVING ANY INFO AS TO HIS WHEREABOUTS.

[REDACTED] FOUND TO

[REDACTED] AND COOPERATIVE. [REDACTED] STATES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THAT

[REDACTED] IN AUBURN. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AT WHICH TIME HE WAS BEING MURDERED, HIS CLOTHES

[REDACTED] VIOLENCE OR INJURY. [REDACTED] STATES

[REDACTED] UNKNOWN REASON

[REDACTED] CALLED

[REDACTED] PERSON WAS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TODAY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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OFFICERS ALSO STATED THAT ALTHOUGH PRESS RELEASES RE CORNELL'S TESTIMONY
BY NEW YORK READER COMMITTEE LAST WEEK INDICATED CORNELL STATED
WRISTS WERE SLASHED UPON HIS RETURN TO LA, THE OFFICER INTERVIEWING
HIM NOTICED NO SUCH SLASHES, NOR BANDAGES. [REDACTED] REINTERVIEWED
TODAY BUT FURNISHED NO NEW INFORMATION EXCEPT THAT THERE WAS AN ADHES-
IVE TAPE BANDAGE ON ONE OF [REDACTED] WRISTS. [REDACTED] SAID HE THOUGHT
NOTHING OF THAT UNTIL CORNELL'S STORY WAS REPORTED IN THE PAPERS.

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██████████ BEING INTERVIEWED THIS EVENING. LOS ANGELES MAINTAINING
CONTACT WITH ASSOCIATES OF ██████████ TO DETERMINE HIS WHEREABOUTS. ALL
LOGICAL CTS AND POTENTIAL CTS BEING CONTACTED FOR SAME INFO. SEE IN-
TERVIEW ██████████ RE ██████████ WHEREABOUTS.

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SU WILL BE ADVISED

ACK PLS

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cc: Mr. Brown

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CITY, WHO IS REPORTEDLY CLOSE IN ALL LEADING FIGHTS IN FIGHT GAMES.

THROUGHOUT COUNTRY IN ORDER TO OBTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING

WHEREABOUTS. [REDACTED] AND ACQUAINTANCE OF [REDACTED]

LEGAL COUNSELERS, UTICA, NY, SUGGESTS CONTACTING [REDACTED]

FORWARD IN PRESENT CASE IN UFGA AND ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] IS WELL

ACQUAINTED WITH ALL PERSONS ACQUAINTED WITH NEW YORK EIGHT CASE. NEW

YUNK CONTACT [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] IT DEEMED ADVISABLE FOR INFORMATION

CONCERNING [REDACTED]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: January 23, 1951

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles

SUBJECT: MICHAEL COHEN, was. ETAL

- VICTIM

KIDNAPPING;
INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY
(Enfilas 7-5700)

Report of SA [redacted] dated 1-17-51 at Miami,
report of SA [redacted] dated 12-26-50 at New
York and report of SA [redacted] dated 12-9-50
at Salt Lake City.

Assistant United States Attorneys WALTER S. BINNS and PAUL
PITTING desire that [redacted] be reinterviewed at Miami
Beach to determine first his present explanation regarding
the reason COHEN and associates brought him from Las Vegas
to Los Angeles on November 4, 1950, second whether or not
it now appears he would make a satisfactory Government
witness. There is little doubt that the U. S. Attorney
will prosecute subjects COHEN, [redacted] and [redacted] if
can be used, but the U. S. Attorney is not prepared yet
to render an opinion if prosecution must depend on evidence
and testimony of witnesses unsupported [redacted] For
Miami's guidance in handling [redacted] he testified before
the Federal Grand Jury hearing on this matter after furnishing
the signed statement as set out in Summary Report of SA
[redacted] dated December 9, 1950 at Los Angeles,
a copy of which Miami has.

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cc: Miami (7-272) (AMSD)
New York (7-566) (AMSD)
Salt Lake City (7-245) (AIR MAIL)

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[REDACTED]

LEADS

The Miami Office

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At Miami Beach, Florida: In addition to ascertaining [REDACTED] attitude now, he should be asked whether or not he has contacted or has been contacted in any way by COHEN or anyone else involved in this case, it being noted that Los Angeles newspapers last weekend commented in the sports section that [REDACTED] has flown East. [REDACTED] destination and purpose are not known, but since he falsified pertinent facts [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (on November 4, 1950) in testifying before the Federal Grand Jury on January 3, 1951, it is felt that he is deeply involved personally, or he is helping COHEN in

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attempting to quash the investigation. His Grand Jury testimony leaves unsupported [redacted] assertion that COHEN met [redacted] immediately after arrival from Las Vegas. In any event, it is desirable to learn if [redacted] or anyone else has approached [redacted] recently. b7c

The New York Office

At New York City, New York: Will contact [redacted] and any others considered appropriate to learn if any contact with them has been made along the lines set out above, and to ascertain if any of the borrowed money in this matter has been repaid to [redacted] or [redacted]. Also, it should be determined what contact, if any, they have had with [redacted] recently. b7c

The Salt Lake City Office

At Las Vegas, Nevada: Will advise the present whereabouts and activities of [redacted] and [redacted]. b7c

All offices are requested to expedite handling, advising the Bureau and Los Angeles promptly, with copies for the U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles. Miami and New York should also advise each other.

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TO DIRECTOR FROM LOS ANGELES 23 1-12 PM

DIRECTOR, FBI

MURKIN COHEN, YIP, ET AL, [REDACTED] DASH VIKID b7c

ITSP. AUSA: WALTER BINNS AND PAUL KITTING BELIEVE

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THAT AS CASE NOW STANDS, THE WEAKNESS IS LACK OF

THROUGH DISCREDITED WITNESSES THAT [REDACTED] MET [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] AT LOCKHEED AIRPORT

ON MORNING OF JAN. FOUR FIFTY AND THAT SUBJECT COHEN THEN MET THEM AT

HOTEL MAYAN. THEY REQUEST FURTHER INTERVIEWS WITH LA PD OFFICERS,

ESPECIALLY TO DETERMINE EXACT TIME ON THAT MORNING OFFICERS LOST THEIR

SURVEILLANCES ON COHEN, EXACTLY WHEN AND WHERE THEY PICKED IT UP AGAIN

AND WHETHER OR NOT THEY OBSERVED [REDACTED] WITH [REDACTED] AT HIS BANK THAT

MORNING. POLICE INTELLIGENCE SECTION OFFICERS SO FAR HAVE BEEN SOMEWHAT

VAGUE ABOUT THEIR SURVEILLANCE OF COHEN THAT MORNING AND

HAVE EVIDENCED SOME EMBARRASSMENT OVER THEIR NEWS FAILURE

TO KEEP COHEN UNDER CONSTANT OBSERVATION. AUSA-S ALSO

REQUEST THAT [REDACTED] BE REINTERVIEWED TO DETERMINE FIRST

PRESENT ATTITUDE ABOUT THIS EPISODE, AND SECOND WHETHER OR NOT HE MIGHT

BE USED AS A GOVERNMENT WITNESS. IF [REDACTED] CAN BE USED, THEY HAVE

LITTLE DOUBT THAT THEY WILL PROSECUTE. IF HE CANNOT, THEY ARE NOT

YET PREPARED TO RENDER OPINIONS. LOCAL INVESTIGATION BEING HANDLED AND

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MIAMI BEING REQUESTED CONTACT [REDACTED]

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PLS NOTE CORRECTION FIRST PAGE THIRD LINE

LAST WORD OF THAT LINE IS "PROOF"

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WASH 7 FROM LOS ANGELES 25 11-00 PM
DIRECTOR DEFERRED

MICHAEL COHEN, WAS. ET AL.

[REDACTED]

6-11-51 b7c

ITSP. USA ERNEST TOLIN TODAY ADVISED HE IS LEAVING FOR WASHINGTON FRIDAY
NEXT TO CONFERENCES WITH DEPARTMENT ON SEVERAL CASES INCLUDING INSTANT
MATTER. ALSO INDICATED INTERNAL REVENUE CASE RELATING TO COHEN WILL BE
DISCUSSED. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO PROVE COHEN WITH
[REDACTED] IN [REDACTED] ROOM IN AS OF NOV. FOUR
LAST.

HOOD

CORRECTION PLS LINE FOUR WORD SIX SHOULD BE CASE RELATING
CORRECTION LINE THREE LAST WORD SHOULD BE INSTANT
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DETAILS:

The title of this case is being changed to add the alias of [REDACTED] for subject [REDACTED] as reflected in FBI transcript of record under [REDACTED] to add the alias [REDACTED] for subject [REDACTED] as reflected in FBI transcript of record under FBI [REDACTED] and to add the true name [REDACTED] for subject [REDACTED] this name being obtained by the Salt Lake City Office through interrogation.

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[REDACTED] Security-First National Bank, Hollywood and Highland Branch, residence address [REDACTED] stated that he first met [REDACTED] in about the middle of October, 1950 when he verified a \$500 check drawn on [REDACTED] account and presented by [REDACTED] for cashing. He said he proved signature on that check by telephoning [REDACTED] at his residence.

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[REDACTED] said that about two weeks later, exact date of November 3, 1950 to be proved through the bank's "Record of Questioned Checks" register, [REDACTED] again came into the bank with a \$500 check, which check was not on the regular bank form. Again this check was drawn against [REDACTED] account and was signed as [REDACTED]. The check was handwritten on a piece of blank white paper of about 5" x 8" dimension. He said [REDACTED] was referred to him by one of the tellers because of the irregular appearance of the check and because of the amount of money involved.

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[REDACTED] said he suggested to [REDACTED] that he again call [REDACTED] but [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] was out of town; whereupon [REDACTED] refused to cash the check, which he recalls was written in one color of ink and signed in different ink. Also, the check was unsigned and he considered the signature appeared irregular. [REDACTED] said he therefore filled out a bank form for

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the bank files, marking the reasons for refusal to cash the check as "undated" and "signature irregular". He said he conferred in this matter with the bank [redacted] and caused [redacted] to enter the matter in the "Record of Questioned Checks" register. b7c

[redacted] produced the above register, which on an undated page carries the record of this transaction along with a number of other unrelated transactions. [redacted] b3

The following day, or within a very few days, to [redacted] recollection, [redacted] entered the bank and was not by [redacted] for the first time. [redacted] wanted to know why the bank had refused to cash his check to [redacted] and [redacted] advised him of the reasons. [redacted] stated he could not definitely recall seeing the check in [redacted] possession that day but in substantiation of the fact that [redacted] had the check with him, he does recall [redacted] asking what he should do with the check since the bank had refused to honor it. He said he advised [redacted] "The best thing for you to do is tear it up". He said [redacted] then cashed a counter check for \$500 and left the bank. [redacted] said this transaction with [redacted] was accomplished during regular banking hours. [redacted] b7c

[redacted] said he believes there was some man with [redacted] at the bank that day but he doubts that he would recognize the man. (It should be noted that [redacted] accompanied [redacted] into the bank on November 1, 1950, at which time [redacted] cashed a \$500 counter check, joined COHEN outside the bank, and furnished that money to COHEN.) b3

[redacted] Security-First National Bank, Hollywood and Highland Branch, residence address 212 West Lovell, Glendale, California, stated that he is familiar with the [redacted] account which was recently closed out by the bank. He said his watching of that account was caused by the drastic fluctuations of the balance and the checks for large sums which were frequently drawn against it. He said he recalls that [redacted] brought to his attention a handmade \$500 check signed by [redacted], and that [redacted] asked if he thought they should honor it. He fixed the date of this as November 3, 1950, through perusal of the "Record of Questioned Checks" register. He said he examined the check, and although he knew there was enough money in the account to cover it, he suggested that they not honor it, partly because [redacted] had earlier that day taken a telephone call from the Hollywood State b7c

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Bank when she was asked if a \$500 check and a \$75 check against the [redacted] account were good. He said [redacted] had found at that time that there was enough money to cover such checks. b7C

[redacted] said [redacted] when advised of the call from Hollywood State Bank, asked [redacted] if he had been to the Hollywood State Bank with the check then under consideration, and that [redacted] had acknowledged he had been to the Hollywood State Bank where the \$75 check had been cashed but where the \$500 check had been refused. [redacted] said the Hollywood State Bank had suggested he cash the \$500 check at [redacted] own bank.

[redacted] recalled that this handmade check was filled out in one color ink and signed as [redacted] in different ink. He also recalled that the check was unsigned and that to him the signature appeared in question. He said that at [redacted] request, he had entered the refusal in the "Record of Questioned Checks" register.

[redacted] recalled that the following day [redacted] had mentioned to him that [redacted] had been in and that [redacted] had suggested to [redacted] that his account be closed. [redacted] said he had not personally talked to either [redacted] or [redacted].

[redacted] Lockheed Air Terminal, Burbank, residence, [redacted] advised that he was on [redacted] duty in and about the Terminal Building at the airport during the night and morning of November 4, 1950. He stated that no record is kept on private airplanes arriving at and leaving Lockheed Air Terminal, either as to the names of passengers or the identities of the aircraft. [redacted] failed to recognize photographs of [redacted] and [redacted] so that he was unable to recall those three men being together at the Lockheed Air Terminal during the morning of November 4, 1950. b7C

[redacted] Navan Hotel, 3019 West 8th Street, Los Angeles, California, stated that he recalls seeing subject COHEN for the first time on a morning about two months ago when COHEN entered the front door of the hotel and walked up the stairway next to the desk. He said he guessed at the time that COHEN would be going to [redacted] since [redacted] is the only man on that floor, all other tenants being elderly women; and he had supposed that if COHEN were going any further than the second floor, he would have used the elevator. He said he could not state definitely, however, that COHEN was going in to see [redacted]. b7C

[redacted] said that because of COHEN's notoriety, he had mentioned to the hotel switchboard operator that COHEN was in the building, and that thereafter both he and the switchboard operator were on the lookout for COHEN. He said that several days later COHEN again

[redacted] last she is Teller [redacted] at the Hollywood State Bank and that MICHAEL COHEN regularly used her window for his bank transactions. She said that COHEN rarely, if ever, makes a deposit of checks, that it has been his practice to bring checks to her window to be cashed. She said that if they were cashier's checks, she would cash them without any bank officer's authorization, but if they were large checks drawn on another bank, she would require an officer's signature. Sometimes after receiving the money, COHEN would hand her sufficient cash to cover incoming checks to be charged to his account, and she would then personally prepare the deposit ticket. More often than not, however, COHEN would come to the bank with currency for deposit, not asking her to cash any checks for him.

[redacted] said that [redacted] frequently has brought to her window cash for deposit both to COHEN's personal account and to the [redacted] CUSTOM TAILOR account. She recalled that [redacted] visited the bank much more frequently than COHEN himself, and that on small checks she would honor the endorsement of COHEN's name by [redacted].

[redacted] said she does not know [redacted]. She said that sometimes COHEN or [redacted] would be accompanied by one or more other men but such men would remain in the background and so she could not recognize them.

[redacted] said COHEN sometimes would, in appreciation for courteous treatment, hand her a \$5 bank note for herself and at Christmas time he gave her a \$50 bank note.

[redacted] said that on several occasions she had deposited money into the safe deposit box carried at the bank in the name of ALICE WATSON. She said she had done so inasmuch as [redacted] had apparently approved the keeping by COHEN of a box in the name of WATSON.

[redacted] advised SA [redacted] that she first met subject COHEN about two or three years before entering the employ of the Hollywood State Bank. She had met him at the Hollywood - Hollywood Branch of the Citizens Bank while employed there.

[redacted] of the Hollywood State Bank. She said she never met COHEN outside of the bank. She said it was COHEN's practice to give her \$5 from time to time and that he gave her \$50 at Christmas time.

[redacted] identified herself as [redacted]. She related circumstances of delivering to COHEN \$20,000 from [redacted] personal safe deposit box, on [redacted] [redacted], but she furnished no information

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██████████ said she did not know whether or not COWEN had been in the box since March 3, 1950, which bank record entry tickets reflect as the last time of entry. She said that in addition to herself, ██████████ had also let COWEN into the box from time to time.

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The covering deposit tickets indicate currency only, and all the deposit tickets bear the stamp of Teller [redacted] who is [redacted]. No withdrawals of interest were noted for November, 1950.

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On December 6, 1950, the New Orleans Office advised that [redacted] in accordance with previous arrangements, had on December 4, 1950, indicated that he was leaving New Orleans for Miami Beach, Florida on December 6, 1950. He said that his stay in Miami Beach is indefinite but while there he can be reached in care of [redacted] [redacted] said that upon his arrival in Miami Beach, he would contact the Miami Office and confirm his presence there.

On December 13, 1950, the Miami Office advised that [redacted] is now connected with a new boxing club promotion in Florida.

On December 16, 1950, background information on [redacted] and the matter was furnished to the Miami Office and arrangements were that in the event of [redacted] departure from Florida, his itinerary be followed.

The following Identification Records have been obtained from the FBI Identification Division:

FBI #755912 pertaining to subject MICHAEL COHEN, was.

Contributor of Fingerprints	Name and Number	Arrested or Received	Charge	Disposition
PD Los Angeles Calif	Mickey Cohen #30732	7-12-35	susp. robb.	
PD Cleveland Ohio	Mickey Cohen #12340	2-12-34	embezzlement	4-21-34 S.S. 2 yrs & par.
PD Los Angeles Calif	Michael Mickey Cohen #30732	5-23-40	Susp. Assault with a deadly weapon	
SO Los Angeles Calif	Mickey Cohen #334727	2-4-41	bookmaking	2-4-41 rel. - bond
SO Los Angeles Calif	Mickey Cohen #344613	7-11-41	bookmaking	7-11-41, rel. appeal bond
SO Los Angeles Calif.	Mickey Cohen #357610	1-28-42	bookmaking	rel. from Los Angeles Co. Jail 6-26-42 exp.
SO Los Angeles Calif	Michael Cohen #A-4557	7-30-42	591 P.C. (cutting telephone wires)	rel. from Los Angeles Co. Jail 7-30-42 bond

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SO Los Angeles Calif	Michael Cohen #1-7960	9-25-42	injuring tele- phone wires & ADW	rel. from Co. Jail Los Angeles Calif 9-25-42 bond
PD San Fran Calif	Mickey Cohen #76387	9-27-44	\$1000 vag. (enroute LA Calif.	9-27-44 disc. Ord. Bur. 9-28-44 dism.
SO Los Angeles Calif.	Michael Cohen #5-72290	8-19-48	susp. murder	
SO Los Angeles Calif	Michael M. Cohen #5-72290	3-22-49	Susp. conspiracy to murder	
SO Los Angeles Calif	Michael Cohen #B-99467	4-12-49	conspiracy to obstruct Justice aslt. Deadly weapon & rebb.	
PD Chgo Ill	Mickey Cohen #D-77276	8-4-50	CP	8-4-50 finished on orders
FD, Albuquerque, N.Mex.	Michael Cohen #11852	8-11-50	inv.	rel. w/ chg. 8-11-50
FD Wichita Falls Texas	Mickey Michael Cohen #10309	8-31-50	inv.	rel.

* #30732, PD, Los Angeles, Calif., 7-19-33, vag. ass. c.;
7-19-33, released.

* As Michael Mickey Cohen, #30732, PD, Los Angeles, Calif.,
2-1-41, 337a PC; 6 mos. Co. Jail, \$100. fine Du3 7-11-41.

* As Michael Mickey Cohen, #30732, PD, Los Angeles, Calif.,
3-22-49, vio. Sec. Conspir. 245; 241; 182 subv. 5; not
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[redacted] Standard Oil Station [redacted] 3029 West 8th Street, Los Angeles. He recalled that within three or four days after he first came to the station, one of the attendants [redacted] now at the [redacted] called his attention to the fact that the notorious MICKEY COHEN and his body-guard were on the sidewalk almost in front of the station. He said he looked but failed to see these men, although he is sure that [redacted] would recall the incident.

[redacted] Lockheed Air Terminal Police Guards, failed to recognize photographs of subjects [redacted] and [redacted] and [redacted]. Through records he ascertained that [redacted] was on duty at the Terminal Building on the morning of November 4, 1950.

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[redacted] stated in addition to that information as set out above that other persons employed in and about the Lockheed Air Terminal Building who were on duty on Saturday morning, November 4, 1950 were: the ticket agent for Western Air Lines, [redacted] the janitor force, although he believed these persons finished cleaning the lobby of the Terminal at about 6:00 a.m. and went into the offices; the Terminal parking lot attendant. This man, he said, would be [redacted]

Records of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, where a stop had been placed by Special Employee [redacted] reflect that the two-phone [redacted] was discontinued on December 26, 1950 by notice from [redacted] who furnished his return address as care of [redacted]. Subscribers to the above telephone show in the telephone company's records as jointly [redacted]

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THE MIAMI OFFICE:

At Miami Beach, Florida: Will maintain sufficient contact with [redacted] to ascertain his itinerary in the event he leaves Miami Beach, and will, in the event he moves, immediately advise the Bureau, the Los Angeles Office, and any other interested office, forwarding to such other office Miami's copy of reference summary report together with a request that such office keep track of [redacted] and follow the procedure as set out for Miami. **b7c**

THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE:

At Burbank, California: Will exhibit photographs of [redacted] and [redacted] to individuals employed in and about the Terminal Building, Lockheed Air Terminal. Only those individuals who are known to have been working between 6:00 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. November 4, 1950, should be contacted. These include a [redacted] ticket agent for Western Air Lines, the [redacted] parking lot attendant, some unknown, and possibly the janitor staff. These persons should be advised that [redacted] parked his 1948 Oldsmobile sedan in the parking lot at approximately 6:00 a.m., November 4, 1950, and then waited in the Terminal Building until about 8:30 a.m., when he was joined there by [redacted] and [redacted]. The purpose of these inquiries is to develop, if possible, one or more disinterested witnesses who can place the three men together at Lockheed Air Terminal on that day. **b7c**

Information copies are being furnished to New York and Salt Lake City Offices since in the event of prosecution in this case, witnesses from these divisions will be called.

REFERENCE: New Orleans letter to Miami dated December 6, 1950 with cc to Los Angeles.
Summary report dated December 9, 1950 by SA [redacted] at Los Angeles.
Report dated December 7, 1950 by SA [redacted] at Salt Lake City. **b7c**
Miami letter to Los Angeles dated December 13, 1950.
Los Angeles letter to Miami dated December 16, 1950.
Bureau letter dated December 14, 1950 to Assistant Attorney General JAMES M. McINERNEY with cc to Los Angeles.
Los Angeles letter to Bureau dated December 22, 1950.

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REPORT MADE AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	DATE WHEN MADE 1/30/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/27, 28/51	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] JH b7c
TITLE MICHAEL COHEN, was. - et al; [REDACTED] - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED] presently employed as dealer at El Rancho Vegas Hotel Casino, Las Vegas, Nevada. [REDACTED] is still around Las Vegas and resides [REDACTED]. He is presently unemployed. **b7c**

DETAILS:

AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

[REDACTED] was observed by the reporting Agent as being employed as a dealer at the "21" table at the El Rancho Vegas Hotel Casino on the night of January 27, 1951. There is no indication that his status will change in the near future. **b7c**

[REDACTED] is still seen frequenting the gambling spots in Las Vegas, and until recently was employed for a short time as a dealer at the Pioneer Club in downtown Las Vegas. He is presently unemployed. He still resides with his wife at [REDACTED]. On the night of January 28, 1951, he was seen in the casino of the El Rancho Vegas Hotel, at which time he engaged the reporting Agent in conversation. He advised that his present status is as indicated above and that he has no immediate plans for obtaining employment, although he needs work very much. He further advised that he has heard nothing from COHEN since the phone call which he received from COHEN a day or so after the incident of returning [REDACTED]. The details of this call have previously been reported. He expressed extreme hatred for COHEN and said that he would like to see him get what he deserves. He further said that he would willingly cooperate with the authorities in seeing that COHEN did get what he deserves if such was necessary. He again denied that he had any intention of becoming involved in an alleged kidnaping and that **b7c**

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he was merely doing the man a favor, although now he realizes that he was very foolish in doing so. He further stated that his previous story in this matter was entirely incorrect.

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REFERENCE

Los Angeles letter to Bureau, 1/23/51.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LOS ANGELES**

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REPORT MADE BY LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 2-9-51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/3, 8, 12, 16-18, 22-25, 2/5-8/51	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] dl
TITLE NICHOLSON, Mrs. et al. [REDACTED] - VIOLATION		CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPPING; IN-STATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>[REDACTED] on 1-3-51, testified before Federal Grand Jury, Los Angeles, [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED] AUSA's believe weakness of case is lack of proof through disinterested witnesses, that [REDACTED] at Lockheed Air Terminal morning of 11-4-50 and that subject COHEN then met them [REDACTED] in Hotel Mayan. All Los Angeles police officers participating in surveillance of COHEN 11-4-50 have submitted detailed reports. Officers believe COHEN evaded them that morning by driving to office of his attorney, then slipping out unobserved and proceeding to Mayan Hotel either by taxi or in [REDACTED] car. COHEN's car remained at downtown parking lot throughout pertinent morning and officers cannot place him at Mayan. Review of trip records for all Yellow Cabs operating in Los Angeles that morning fails to reflect COHEN used cab. [REDACTED] has previously denied picking up COHEN downtown and driving him to Mayan Hotel. Record book in office of late Attorney SAMUEL L. [REDACTED] not clear as to whether or not COHEN was in [REDACTED]'s office that morning. Reinterview of [REDACTED] being reported separately from Miami. Transcript of FBI record on [REDACTED] set out.</p>			
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Details:

Assistant United States Attorney WALTER S. BINNS advised that on January 3, 1951 [REDACTED] testified before the Federal Grand Jury at Los Angeles. [REDACTED] b7c b3

[REDACTED] Mr. BINNS and Assistant United States Attorney PAUL FITTING have stated they believe that as this case now stands the weakness appears to be lack of proof through disinterested witnesses that subject [REDACTED] at the Lockheed Air Terminal on the morning of November 4, 1950 and that subject COHEN then later met [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] at the Hotel Mayan, [REDACTED]. The Assistant United States Attorneys requested further interviews with Los Angeles Police Department officers to determine the exact time on the morning of November 4, 1950 that the officers lost their contact with COHEN while conducting surveillance on him and particularly whether or not the officers observed [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] that morning.

They also requested that [REDACTED] be reinterviewed for the purpose of determining his present attitude toward this matter and whether or not he might be successfully used as a government witness.

The Miami Office has been requested to reinterview [REDACTED] at Miami Beach, Florida for the purpose of determining the above and to determine if, in any way, GURZA or any other of the subjects has approached him since [REDACTED] departure from Los Angeles November 10, 1950. b7c

At the same time the New York Office was requested to determine if any contact has been made by any of the subjects with [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] and to ascertain if any of the money collected by [REDACTED] in connection with this matter has been repaid to [REDACTED] or [REDACTED].

Additional contacts among disinterested persons at the Lockheed Air Terminal were effected by SA [REDACTED] for the purpose of attempting to place [REDACTED] together there on the morning of November 4, 1950.

At the United Air Lines ticket office SA [REDACTED] contacted employees [REDACTED] At the office he contacted [REDACTED] At the Terminal Parking Lot he contacted [REDACTED] None of the above people was able to state whether or not they had ever seen any of the three. [REDACTED] whose pictures were exhibited.

Captain [REDACTED] Los Angeles Police Department Intelligence Section, on January 24, 1951 furnished detailed typewritten reports reflecting the surveillance activities of officers under his command who were, on November 4, 1950, engaged in conducting a close surveillance of subject MICHAEL COHEN. b7C

A review of these reports by Officers [REDACTED]

Sergeants [REDACTED] and interviews with these men, reflect that at 5:30 a.m. November 4, 1950, they received information that COHEN had located [REDACTED] in Las Vegas and had then instructed that [REDACTED] be brought back to Los Angeles. They also ascertained that [REDACTED] was to pick up [REDACTED] at the Lockheed Air Terminal in Burbank, California at about 6 a.m. that morning when the chartered airplane bearing [REDACTED] was due to arrive. The officers stated that their information came too late, they thought, to cover the meeting at the airport, so they determined them to stay with COHEN on the assumption that he would unquestionably meet with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] that morning. COHEN was followed from his home at approximately 8:55 a.m., when he stated to officers [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] that he was going to his attorney's office at Eighth and Olive Streets, Los Angeles. One police unit followed him there, while another, by more direct route, proceeded to that downtown vicinity and stationed themselves to watch COHEN's arrival. COHEN parked his car in a lot at Eighth and Olive Streets, walked over to the officers who had followed him, and stated he would be in his attorney's office for about an hour. This was at approximately 9:30 a.m. Two officers took up watch on COHEN's car and two others observed him enter an elevator in the Commercial Exchange Building, Eighth and Hill Streets, where his then attorney SAMUEL L. RUMBLE was located. Two of the officers then took up a watch on the entrance of the building, waiting for COHEN to emerge. Somehow, they now surmise, COHEN evaded their surveillance, slipping out of the Commercial Exchange Building and leaving his car at the parking lot. The officers surmise that COHEN was either picked up nearby in [REDACTED] car or he took a taxi cab to the Mayan Hotel, however, there was no coverage by the police at the Mayan Hotel so they had no direct knowledge of this. They next saw COHEN at approximately 12:35 p.m., walking toward his car on Eighth Street in the company of [REDACTED]. They followed COHEN and [REDACTED] west on Wilshire Blvd., finally intercepting them and interviewing them separately at about 12:45 p.m. near Wilshire and Robertson Blvd. They said COHEN told them then he had given [REDACTED] some pocket money and was going to get his cleaned up and outfitted with new clothes at the [REDACTED] Tailor Shop at Beverly Hills. b7C

Subject [REDACTED], as previously reported, has been already interviewed regarding his contacts with COHEN that morning and he denied picking COHEN up in downtown Los Angeles and driving him to the Mayan Hotel. On the presumption that COHEN may have taken a taxi cab from [REDACTED] office to the Mayan Hotel at 3047 West Eighth Street, Special Agents [REDACTED] b7C

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and the writer checked all the trip records of Yellow Cabs operating in the Los Angeles area during the morning of November 4, 1950. Nothing was found here of any significance and, consequently, no drivers have been interviewed.

Captain [REDACTED] of the Los Angeles Police Department Intelligence Unit has since advised that the day book kept in the offices of the law firm in which the late SAMUEL L. RUSSELL was a partner, (RUSSELL was murdered on December 9, 1950) reflects under the date of November 4, 1950 that RUSSELL was in his office from 10 a.m. to 11:25 a.m. and bears the notation at 11:25 a.m. "Mr. OWEN". Captain [REDACTED] also furnished a copy from the November 4, 1950 page of RUSSELL's telephone call book. This page bears a notation 11:25 - Mr. OWEN - N.H.P. Captain [REDACTED] stated that neither he nor police investigators working on the RUSSELL murder are able to interpret these notations so that OWEN can be placed in the RUSSELL office that morning or so that it could be shown whether he called [REDACTED] from RUSSELL's office. b7c

The following is the record of FBI [REDACTED] referring to [REDACTED] in this matter: b6
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On February 7, 1951 Los Angeles newspapers carried various articles indicating that the Federal Grand Jury, Los Angeles, is to start a probe of COHEN's income tax affairs. AUSA PAUL FITTING, on that date, stated that there is no decision regarding prosecution in this case and that none will be made pending return from Washington, D.C. of USA ERNEST A. TOLIN.

Milwaukee, Chicago, Cleveland and Salt Lake City Offices have been requested to report background information on [REDACTED] who was reportedly [REDACTED] is now located in [REDACTED] who was [REDACTED] and has been reported as a "minor hoodlum".

The Salt Lake City Office, on February 1, 1951, reported that the records of the Clark County Sheriff's Office, Las Vegas, show [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The Chicago Office was also advised by Salt Lake City so that office could more readily obtain background information on [REDACTED]

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THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE

and report prosecutive action.

At Los Angeles, California, will follow

Reference:

Los Angeles teletype to Director, Miami and New York
dated February 8, 1951.

SAC, Los Angeles

February 20, 1951

Director, FBI

RE: [REDACTED] et al
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Re: [REDACTED] dated 2-9-51
at Los Angeles.

This report has been corrected at the
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which states as follows: [REDACTED]

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The above statement appearing in the
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MICHAEL COHEN, WAS. ETAL, [REDACTED]

MIAMI, LISP. RENTLEY JAN. TWENTY-THREE LAST. TO ASSURE THAT

USA LA WILL HAVE FULL FACTS BEFORE RENDERING OPINION RE PROSECUTION

THIS MATTER, MIAMI AND NEW YORK SUTEL WHEN REPORTS WILL BE RECEIVED.

L.A. REPORT BEING PREPARED TODAY.

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REPORT MADE AT MIAMI	DATE WHEN MADE 2/19/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/29; 2/1, 9, 10/51	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] CJM:MK
TITLE REAR END CRASH WARS. STALL; [REDACTED] - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPPING; INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Victim claims he was not kidnapped but that his trip from Las Vegas, Nev., to Los Angeles, Cal., on 11/4/50 was made voluntarily and not against his will as result of fear, intimidation, coercion or pressure by anyone other than any of subjects. [REDACTED] claims he could have refused to return to Los Angeles, Cal., but made trip as he wanted to help COHEN whom he termed a "good friend". He is of opinion that case is "built up" on part of LA PD who have been unable to convict COHEN.

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DETAILS:

AT MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

Upon interview Victim [REDACTED] advised that in his opinion the instant case is apparently a gross misunderstanding for at no time was he intimidated, coerced or in any way forced by MICHAEL COHEN or any of the other subjects in this matter to travel from Las Vegas, Nevada, to Los Angeles, California, on November 4, 1950.

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[REDACTED] stated that he could have refused to make the trip but he flew to Los Angeles, California, of his own volition and without fear or exertion of any pressure by COHEN or anyone else. He stated that at the time he took the trip with which this case is concerned, he was anxious to proceed to Los Angeles to help clear up the difficulties he thought he had caused COHEN by suddenly leaving Los Angeles for Las Vegas. He termed COHEN as a "good friend" and stated that at no time has there been any harsh feelings or animosity whatever between them and insisted that had he refused to return to Los Angeles on November 4, 1950, no action would have

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been taken against him by COHEN and his associates. He commented that he was not hiding out from COHEN and that if he had been it would have been ridiculous for him to go to Las Vegas, Nevada, where he is well known and register in a hotel under his own name. b7c

It was pointed out by [redacted] that he is of the opinion that the instant case is a "build up" on the part of the Los Angeles, California, Police Department who have been trying every way to "get COHEN" because they have been unable to convict him themselves.

[redacted] explanation as to why he "was not brought" but "voluntarily traveled" from Las Vegas, Nevada, to Los Angeles, California, was because his "friend" COHEN told him he had caused trouble by leaving Los Angeles and the Los Angeles Police Department was spreading a story that COHEN had kidnapped him. He said he returned to Los Angeles to stop this alleged trouble and stop the talk surrounding his alleged mysterious disappearance from Los Angeles.

In this regard, he stated that he had been informed that he had gotten [redacted] into difficulty with the Los Angeles Police whom he stated were of the opinion that [redacted] had kidnapped [redacted] for COHEN. b7c

He further stated that he has never told anything but the truth concerning the instant matter and should he be subpoenaed to Federal Court in California in this case he would testify to the same data he furnished at Los Angeles to Bureau Agents and to the Federal Grand Jury in Los Angeles.

In regard to [redacted] commonly-known as [redacted] information was furnished by [redacted] that this subject had flown east about a month ago for the [redacted] in New York.

[redacted] stated that after going from Las Vegas, Nevada, to Los Angeles, California, on November 4, 1950, [redacted] drove him to the Mayon Hotel in Los Angeles.

[redacted] and he was definitely there when [redacted] arrived. He advised that when COHEN arrived at the hotel [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he has not been contacted by COHEN, any of the other subjects or anyone else concerning the instant case, but b7c

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did say that he talked about it with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] who were in Miami on February 7, 1951, for the fight, but that no attempt had been made by either of them to get him to aid in any suppression of the instant matter. b7C

[REDACTED] continues to reside at [REDACTED] and has stated that in the event he leaves for New York City he will advise the writer of his address there. In view of this and as no further investigation remains to be conducted in this matter, this case is being regarded as RUC. b7C

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cc: Mr. Rosen
Mr. Price
Mr. Schmidt

Assistant Attorney General
James A. Maloney
Director, FBI

February 21, 1951

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NICKY COHEN, WAS., ET AL
- VICTIM
KIDNAPING - INTERSTATE
TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY
(Your file 109-12-15 JMW:CAF)

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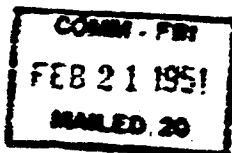
Attached is one copy of the report of Special Agent
[redacted] dated at Miami, Florida, February 10, 1951,
setting forth the results of an additional interview of the victim,
[redacted]. It is noted that [redacted] continues to insist that
he was not kidnapped, intimidated or coerced and that his return
from Las Vegas, Nevada to Los Angeles, California, on November 4,
1950, was entirely voluntary on his part.

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Mr. Tolson	✓
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Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
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MICHAEL COHEN, WAS. ET AL.

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ITSP. REMYTEL JAN. THIRTY LAST. LA NEWSPAPERS INDICATE FGJ TO START
 PROBE OF COHEN'S INCOME TAX AFFAIRS TOMORROW. AUSA PAUL FITTING TON
 STATED NO DECISION TO BE MADE ON INSTANT CASE PENDING RETURN FROM WASH.
 OF USA, ERNEST A. TOLIN. MATTER WILL BE CLOSELY FOLLOWED AND BUREAU
 ADVISED.

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MICHAEL COHEN, WAS., [REDACTED] b7c
VIZID, ITSP. REHTTEL THE TWENTY THIRD. ALL LA POLICE OFFICERS
PARTICIPATING IN SURVEILLANCE OF MICHAEL COHEN ON ELEVEN FOUR LAST
HAVE NOW SUBMITTED DETAILED REPORTS. INDICATIONS ARE THAT COHEN
DEPARTED THEN BY DRIVING TO OFFICE OF ATTORNEY, THEN SLIPPING OUT UNOBS-
ERVED AND PROCEEDING TO MAYAM HOTEL EITHER BY TAXI OR IN
[REDACTED] CAR. COHENS CAR REMAINED AT DOWNTOWN PARKING LOT
THROUGHTOUT MORNING, AND OFFICERS CANNOT PLACE HIM AT MAYAM REVIEW OF
TRIP RECORDS FOR ALL YELLOW CABS OPERATING IN LA THAT MORNING FAILS
TO REFLECT COHEN USED CAB. AND [REDACTED] UNCOOPERATIVE. ALSO, COHEN AND
[REDACTED] TOOK [REDACTED] TO HIS BANK DURING THE PERIOD THE OFFICERS WERE
OUT OF CONTACT, APPARENTLY IN [REDACTED] CAR. NO FURTHER ACTION CONTEM-
PLATED HERE PENDING ADDITIONAL CONSULTATION WITH USA AFTER MIAMI AND
NY LEADS COVERED.

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MICHAEL COHEN, WAS, ETAL, [REDACTED], WIKID, ITOP. RE LA TEL, [REDACTED]

FEB. EIGHTH AND 1ST 1AM, TWELVEHUND LAST. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NYC, INTERVIEWED TODAY ON RETURN FROM [REDACTED] FIGHT, MIAMI, FLA., FEB. EIGHTH LAST. [REDACTED] STATES HE WAS IN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] DAILY FEB. FIFTH THROUGH FEB. EIGHTH, [REDACTED] DESCRIBED COHEN AS "HIS DEAREST FRIEND" AND STATED LATTER HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH HIS RETURN FROM LAS VEGAS TO LA, BUT THAT HE RETURNED VOLUNTARILY BECAUSE HE COULD NOT GET WORK IN LAS VEGAS. [REDACTED] TOLD [REDACTED] THAT HE SENT WIRE TO LATTER, REQUESTING THE THOUSAND DOLLARS HE SENT TO M. COHEN, AND THOUGHT [REDACTED] WOULD MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO COHEN. [REDACTED] DOES NOT KNOW WHO PLACED HIS ENDORSEMENT ON CHECK AND SINCE HE EXPECTED CHECK PAYABLE TO COHEN DID NOT AUTHORIZE ANYONE TO PLACE HIS ENDORSEMENT THEREON. [REDACTED] DENIED OWING COHEN MONEY, STATING RATHER THAT COHEN WAS IN DEBT TO HIM. [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] AND WAS ALSO IN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] STATES [REDACTED] HAS NOT REPAID ANY AMOUNT [REDACTED] DID NOT EVEN MENTION REPAYING THE LOANS. [REDACTED] AS PROTECTING COHEN.

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██████████ NYC, HAS HAD NO FURTHER CONTACT WITH ██████████
STATES ██████████ ASSISTING ██████████ IN ██████████ MIAMI AND
LATTER ADVISED ██████████ THAT ██████████ REFUSES TO DISCUSS INSTANT MATTER.
██████████ CURRENTLY UNAVAILABLE. WILL BE INTERVIEWED FIRST OF NEXT WEEK.
REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED FOLLOWING ██████████ INTERVIEW.

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END, ACK PLS

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CC Mr Rosen

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: February 19, 1951

TO : SAC, Los Angeles

SUBJECT: RICHARD, JOHN, was. et.al.

INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY

happy to today.

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As stated in my teletype portions of the above letter are somewhat misleading in that they might be construed to infer that evidence has not been developed independent of [REDACTED] to show that [REDACTED] was met by [REDACTED] and that he then conferred with COHEN.

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Subject COHEN himself admitted such a conference in the hotel room and in the presence of [REDACTED] as shown in summary report by SA [REDACTED] December 9, 1950, page 13. There are two agents who can testify to COHEN's admission.

[REDACTED] has admitted going to the Lockheed Air Terminal meeting [REDACTED] and taking him directly to the Mayan Hotel,

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then leaving him in [REDACTED] room and company. Two special agents can testify as to [REDACTED] remarks as set forth on page 14 of the summary report, and two others as to similar statements as shown on page 17 of that report.

There is available considerable corroborative evidence such as the Los Angeles Police Department's confidential informant, which Assistant United States Attorney BIRNS has stated he is not disposed to consider for purposes of trial, but nevertheless upon which this case was predicated.

[REDACTED]

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SECRET

As per Mr. TOLIN's suggestion, further conference in this matter will be had with his Chief Assistant, WALTER BIRNS. Mr. BIRNS is pre-occupied now interviewing Grand Jury witnesses in the COHEN tax case and so is temporarily unavailable. However, an appointment will be made with him at his first possible convenience to clear up any questions about the above letter.

Aside from conferring with Mr. BIRNS, no further action in this case has been requested by the United States Attorney, who has specifically requested that this case be maintained in its status quo and as he said, "definitely not closed."

Assistant Attorney General
James H. McInerney

February 20, 1951

Director, FBI

WICKER, CONN. was., etal

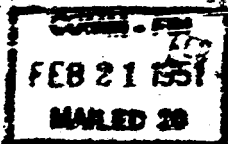
- VICTIM

**INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION
OF STOLEN PROPERTY**

Pursuant to your request of December 5,
1950, from file 109-12-15 JHM:cas, there is attached
one copy of the following additional report prepared
in this case:

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED]
dated February 9, 1951, at Los Angeles.

Signature



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DIRECTOR

URGENT

MICHAEL COHEN, WAS. ETAL., [REDACTED], VICTIM.

ITSP, RENTHOLS FEB. SEVEN AND EIGHT LAST. USA, LA, BY LETTER DATED
FEB. THIRTEEN LAST, ADVISED ASSISTANT AG JAMES H. MC INERNEY OF HIS
POSITION IN THIS CASE STATING IN CLOSING QUOTE UNLESS THE BUREAU
DEVELOPS EVIDENCE SHOWING THAT [REDACTED] WAS NOT BY SAN JUAN AND

CONFERRED WITH COHEN WE PROPOSE TO DECLINE PROSECUTION UNQUOTE.

BECAUSE ABOVE STATEMENT MIGHT IMPLY THAT NO SUCH EVIDENCE HAS BEEN
DEVELOPED INDEPENDENT OF [REDACTED] SAS TODAY CONFERRED WITH USA FOREST

TOLIN ADVISING HIM OF FACTS THAT [REDACTED] HAS BEEN PLACED BY
MEETING [REDACTED] AT AIRPORT ON PERTINENT MATTERS, BOTH BY [REDACTED]

AND BY STATEMENT OF [REDACTED] ALSO THAT THERE IS
CONSIDERABLE EVIDENCE SHOWING COHEN CONFERRED WITH [REDACTED] NOV. FOUR
LAST, INCLUDING HIS OWN STATEMENT THAT HE WAS WITH [REDACTED] IN HOTEL
ROOM [REDACTED] TOLIN STATED HE HAS

NOT GIVEN UP ON THIS CASE AND DEFINITELY DOES NOT WANT IT CLOSED,
ALTHOUGH HAS NO REQUEST FOR SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION INDICATED
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AND DESIRES TO HOLD CASE STATUS QUO. TOLIN SAID HE IS GIVING SOME
THOUGHT TO INDICTMENT OF COHEN AND OTHERS FOR CONSPIRACY TO KIDNAP
[REDACTED] THAT INTERNAL REVENUE CASE NOW BEFORE FEDERAL GRAND JURY
ON COHEN TAKES PRECEDENCE. TOLIN MADE AWARE OF PERJURY BEFORE FED.
GRAND JURY ON PART OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TOLIN STATED HE IS
ANXIOUS TO PROSECUTE ANY OF THESE INDIVIDUALS ON ANY VIOLATION WHICH
HAS ARISEN COLLATERALLY TO CURRENT INVESTIGATION. TOLIN STATED THAT
SINCE CHIEF ASSISTANT USA WALTER BINNS WROTE ABOVE LETTER AND HAS
BEEN HANDLING [REDACTED] CASE WHILE TOLIN HAS BEEN HANDLING TAX CASE
AGAINST COHEN, HE DESIRES AGENTS CONFER FURTHER WITH BINNS WHO IS
UNAVAILABLE TODAY. APPOINTMENT WILL BE ARRANGED AND BUREAU ADVISED
OF RESULTS OF CONFERENCE. LETTER FOLLOWS QUOTING USA-S LETTER.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LOS ANGELES**

NY FILE NO. **7-566** **98**

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 3/13/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/16; 2/2, 9, 19/51	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] b7C
TITLE MICHAEL COHEN, was. Kneb- [REDACTED] VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPPING INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED] NYC, was in contact with [REDACTED] States described MICHAEL COHEN as "his dearest friend" and claims COHEN had nothing to do with his return to Los Angeles from Las Vegas but that he, [REDACTED] returned voluntarily.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] states instant matter not discussed. [REDACTED] has had no contact with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] refuses to discuss instant matter.

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DETAILS: At New York, New York

[REDACTED] New York City, advised on January 16, 1951 that [REDACTED] he located the telegram received from [REDACTED] on November 10, 1950. It is noted that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] This telegram, which
reads as follows, is being retained in instant case file:

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"THIS IS POSITIVELY LAST REQUEST AS IT IS VITALLY URGENT
AND OF GREAT IMPORTANCE PLEASE SEND SOME AMOUNT TO M.
COHEN 513 MORENO AVE WEST LOS ANGELES AM MOVING TO LAS
VEGAS WHERE IMPORTANT PROPOSITION AWAITS AND GAMBLING
LEGALIZED WILL BE SENDING YOU PARTIAL PAYMENTS SOON
BUT THIS REQUEST IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN WORDS CAN
CONVEY MY DEEP THANKS AND KINDEST REGARDS."

On February 2, 1951, [REDACTED] advised that
[REDACTED] had been in New York City the week-end of January 12, 1951
for one or two days and had returned to Los Angeles. [REDACTED]
stated that [REDACTED] did not go to Florida and, therefore, could
not have contacted [REDACTED] at least not personally. He
advised that [REDACTED] came to [REDACTED] office and explained
that he had come East to make arrangements for a fight between
[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] in Los Angeles on March 17, 1951.

[REDACTED]

During this discussion [REDACTED] stated that he
attempted to get some information out of [REDACTED] concerning
[REDACTED] He asked [REDACTED] where the suicide story concern-
ing [REDACTED] had originated and [REDACTED] responded, "You know he
always talked of suicide"

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[REDACTED] told [REDACTED] that he knew nothing of [REDACTED] disappear-
ance after the latter's return from Los Angeles, stating that
[REDACTED] and COHEN were in [REDACTED] talking of raising
some money and the next thing he knew [REDACTED] had disappeared
from Los Angeles of his own accord.

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[redacted] told [redacted] that he knew [redacted] owed MICKEY COHEN money and that COHEN had given [redacted] money and the latter had lost it betting and was not in a position to pay off. [redacted] stated he did not know whether or not the money [redacted] sent to [redacted] was turned over to MICKEY COHEN and further did not know who had cashed [redacted] checks. [redacted] stated that [redacted] regards MICKEY COHEN as a very good friend and further advised him that [redacted] and MICKEY COHEN are good friends and he talked of [redacted] being kidnapped was ridiculous. b7C

[redacted] further advised that [redacted]

[redacted] In a reinterview on February 9, 1951, [redacted] advised that he was [redacted] According to [redacted] described MICKEY COHEN as "his dearest friend" and stated that the latter had nothing to do with his return from Las Vegas, Nevada to Los Angeles, California. [redacted] claimed he had returned to Los Angeles voluntarily because he was unable to get work in Las Vegas and further claimed that he was the one who had hired the airplane for the trip. [redacted] b7C

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[REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] denied owing MICKEY COHEN any money [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] gave him the impression of not wanting to talk about the entire matter and manifested a strong friendship for MICKEY COHEN.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] told [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] "cleans up" every time [REDACTED] mentions the MICKEY COHEN affair and has on these occasions told [REDACTED] that he does not care to talk about it. b7c

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] b7c
[REDACTED] advised that he has had no contact whatsoever with
[REDACTED] since the time he was last interviewed in instant matter.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] He stated that he never mentioned instant matter,
and that the latter never volunteered any information.
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b7c
[REDACTED] will do anything in his power
to defend MICKY COONE and stated that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] with regard to his association and
activities with MICKY COONE, he doubted seriously if anyone
would be able to get a true story [REDACTED] b7c

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LEADS

NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will, upon completion of instant matter, return
checks #11255 and 7380 [REDACTED] *bx*

REFERENCE: Los Angeles letter to Bureau, 1/23/51.
New York teletype to Bureau, 2/9/51.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LOS ANGELES**

MILWAUKEE FILE NO. **MI-7-156**

REPORT MADE AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN	DATE WHEN MADE 3-20-51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 25, 6, 7, 16, 19; 3-9-51	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]
TITLE MICHAEL CONEL, WAS [REDACTED] [REDACTED]			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPPING; INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION STOLEN PROPERTY

Victim

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Investigation by Milwaukee Division to obtain background information on [REDACTED] conducted with negative results.

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DETAILS:

AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

The records of the Association of Commerce, 611 North Broadway, and the files of the Milwaukee Police Department contained no information concerning [REDACTED]. The records of the City Election Commission, Milwaukee City Hall, and the Assessor of Income, Milwaukee County Court House, also were checked concerning [REDACTED] with negative results.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Astor Hotel, both well known Milwaukee gamblers who are well acquainted with the criminal element in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, stated that they had never heard of an individual [REDACTED]

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in Milwaukee, Wisconsin or anywhere else named [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] b7C

AT MADISON, WISCONSIN

[REDACTED] Clerk of Records, State Selective Service Headquarters, Madison, Wis., advised that he had checked all available records, including those for registrants who had enlisted and also out-of-state transfers, and stated that the names of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were not contained therein. He stated that the files are not set up so that the serial number can be used to locate the file of a subject. b7C

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TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN -

NY-2-156

REFERENCE: Los Angeles letter to Milwaukee dated January 24, 1951.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: March 21, 1951

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES

SUBJECT: MICHAEL COHEN, et al.

KIDNAPING, ITSP

Subsfile 7-5008

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RAY KENNEDY, Assistant United States Attorney, in charge of criminal section, Los Angeles, yesterday advised that the United States Attorney's office has definitely concluded they will neither decline nor authorize prosecution on this nor any other case which may arise against subject COHEN until after final disposition of the Internal Revenue tax case now being handled in this district against him.

In view of the above, the captioned matter is being held in abeyance, awaiting initiative action by the United States Attorney.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, Los Angeles
SUBJECT: MICHAEL COHEN, was., et al;
KIDNAPPING - ITSP

DATE: June 2, 1951

Re Bufile 7-5-00 and re airtel dated March 21, 1951.

Reference letter sets out that RAY KINNISCN, Assistant United States Attorney in charge of criminal section, Los Angeles, stated in March 1951 that the United States Attorney's Office is holding in abeyance a prosecutive opinion in this case, and that no action might be expected until conclusion of the Internal Revenue Department's tax case presently being handled against COHEN.

In view of the above and since no further action regarding this case has been initiated by the United States Attorney here, the Los Angeles file is being considered in a pending inactive status.

Unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, the status of pending inactive will be maintained until final disposition of the tax matter now pending in the courts against COHEN.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LOS ANGELES**

FILE NO. **7-381**

REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 8/3/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/14, 18, 23/51; 20:4; 4, 6, 7/9, 11, 23, 24; 8/1/51	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]
TITLE MICHAEL COHEN, was. Mickey Cohen, Michael Cohn, Michael-Egan, Allan Weiner, Donald Dratis;			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPPING INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY
<div style="background-color: black; width: 100%; height: 100%; position: relative;"> VICTIM </div>			

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles, declined prosecution 7/24/51 on grounds of insufficient evidence of participation by subject **MICHAEL COHEN** and in view of his recent conviction for income tax evasion.

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DETAILS:

Assistant U. S. Attorney **RAY KIMMISON** on July 9, 1951, advised that **MICHAEL COHEN**, one of the subjects in this matter, was sentenced in Federal District Court, Central Division, Southern District of California, on July 9, 1951, on each of four counts of income tax violation. The sentences were five years and \$10,000 on each count, all of the sentences to be served concurrently, and the payment of any one of the fines to constitute full payment of all fines.

On July 24, 1951, Chief Assistant U. S. Attorney **WALTER BIRNS**, Los Angeles, declined prosecution in the kidnapping matter on the grounds that there is insufficient evidence of participation by **MICHAEL COHEN** and in view of **COHEN's** recent income tax evasion conviction. In explanation of his reasoning, Mr. **BIRNS** stated that there is a lack of evidence to place **COHEN** at the Mayan Hotel, Los Angeles, at the pertinent time.

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times (November 4, 1950) without the testimony of the [REDACTED],
who, because of his attitude as exhibited before the Grand Jury at Los An-
geles, cannot be considered as a satisfactory Government witness in this
matter.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

By letter of August 1, 1951, the New York Office was advised that it would be satisfactory to return two checks [REDACTED] b7C

[REDACTED] These checks are No. 11255, drawn on the [REDACTED] account, Manufacturers Trust Company, New York City; and check No. 7380, drawn on [REDACTED] personal account, Manufacturers Trust Company, New York City. At the same time, by a copy of this same letter, the Miami Office was advised that it would no longer be necessary for [REDACTED] to maintain contact with that Office.

Information copies of this report are being sent to the New York, Salt Lake City, and Miami Offices since there are, within each of these Divisions, persons who would have been called as Government witnesses and who may make inquiry.

REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED] 2/9/51 at Los Angeles.
Report of SA [REDACTED] 2/10/51 at Miami.
Report of SA [REDACTED] 3/13/51 at New York. b7C

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WFO, Los Angeles

September 25, 1951

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The exhibit inventory of your office dated August 22, 1951 reported that certain items were being maintained in connection with the captioned case which was closed at the request of Special Agent [redacted] Los Angeles, California, dated August 15, 1951.

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It is requested that you advise this matter to the [redacted] in your office and the Bureau informed in detail of any [redacted] being maintained in this case. You should advise the [redacted] of this matter, the [redacted] for their continued maintenance and include any recommendation to the [redacted] with regard to their [redacted] and the authority therefor.

The Bureau should be advised in this matter within [redacted] following the date of this memorandum. As [redacted] items are being held in connection with a possible perjury case, they should be placed in the perjury case file as exhibits rather than in the captioned kidnapping case which is now closed.

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U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

RECORDS SECTION

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-5908)

DATE: October 6, 1951

SAC, Los Angeles

SUBJECT: ALONZO L. CONNOR, aka; et al;

Victim;

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INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF

STOLEN PROPERTY

Rebulet dated 8/28/51.

This is to advise that there are now no bulky exhibits being maintained in this case. Bulky exhibits pertinent to the possible perjury case arising from this investigation have been placed in that perjury file and the remainder have been appropriately disposed of.

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TO :
FROM : R. T. HARBO
SUBJECT: D. J. Parsons
W. F. Felt; et al;
Victims;
Kidnapping
7-5908

DATE: 4-10-52

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Nichols _____
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There is attached the file which has been maintained in the Laboratory in connection with the above captioned matter. It is desired that this file be maintained as an enclosure behind the main file in the Records Section.

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Date Received: 12-02-77

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Harold

11/13/52

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Specimens submitted for examination

<u>STATION</u>	<u>CHECK #</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PAYABLE TO</u>	<u>SIGNED BY</u>	<u>BANK</u>
61x	—	\$1000.00	11-7-50	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Bank of Los Angeles Los Angeles

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